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PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

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An Act relating to disabled persons; amending 7 O.S. 2021, Sections 8, 12 and 19.1, which relate to blind persons; amending 10 O.S. 2021, Sections 175.5, 175.7 and 440, which relate to children; amending 10A O.S. 2021, Sections 1-4-708, 1-7-104 and 2-2-503, which relate to children and the Oklahoma Juvenile Code; amending 17 O.S. 2021, Section 140.2, which relates to the Corporation Commission; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 649.3, which relates to crimes and punishments; amending 25 O.S. 2021, Section 307, which relates to definitions and general provisions; amending 41 O.S. 2021, Section 113.1, which relates to landlords and tenants; amending 43A O.S. 2021, Section 5-502, which relates to mental health; amending 47 O.S. 2021, Sections 1104.6 and 1135.1, which relate to motor vehicles; amending 57 O.S. 2021, Section 549.1, which relates to prisons and reformatories; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Sections 328.3 and 888.3, which relate to professions and occupations; amending 61 O.S. 2021, Section 11, which relates to public buildings and public works; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.29, which relates to public finance; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-741.12, which relates to public health and safety; amending 68 O.S. 2021, Section 2358, which relates to revenue and taxation; amending 69 O.S. 2021, Sections 4002 and 4033, which relate to roads, bridges and ferries; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Sections 1-107, 18-109.5 and 1210.508F, which relate to schools; amending 72 O.S. 2021, Section 68.1, which relates to soldiers and sailors; amending 74 O.S. 2021, Sections

85.58E, 840-2.9, 954, 2280, 3003, 5010.2 and 7009, which relate to state government; modifying terminology; updating references; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

6 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 7 O.S. 2021, Section 8, is amended 7 to read as follows:

Section 8. A. The state plan for library services shall be amended in accordance with the Federal Library Services and Construction Act and applicable regulations to reflect the authority and duty of the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired of the State Department of Rehabilitation Services to provide special library services, including braille and recorded books, to blind and visually handicapped disabled persons as provided by state law.

B. Special library services for blind and physically handicapped disabled adults, children, and students shall be provided by the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired of the Department in accordance with the Federal Library Services and Construction Act, as amended, and applicable federal regulations relating thereto; and consistent with applicable statutes and regulations. The Commission for Rehabilitation Services shall, within the availability of state funds, annually make available for such special library services sufficient funds to

earn the maximum available federal funds under the Federal Library Services and Construction Act and appropriations made in pursuance thereof by Congress.

- C. All federal requirements for interlibrary cooperation and consultation shall be observed and entitlement of the Department of Libraries to receive federal funds for library services or construction shall not be impaired by any state law prescribing the duties, responsibilities and functions of the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired of the Department.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 7 O.S. 2021, Section 12, is amended to read as follows:

Section 12. Any driver of a vehicle who knowingly approaches within fifteen (15) feet of a person who is in the roadway or at an intersection and who is wholly or partially blind and who is carrying a cane or walking stick white in color, or white tipped with red, or who is using a dog guide wearing a specialized harness, or who is wholly or partially deaf and is using a signal dog wearing an orange identifying collar, or who is physically handicapped a person with a disability and is using a service dog, shall immediately come to a full stop and take such precautions before proceeding as may be necessary to avoid accident or injury to the a person who is wholly or partially blind, a person who is deaf, or physically handicapped a person with a disability. For purposes of

this section, a "dog guide" means any dog that is specially trained to guide a blind person.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 7 O.S. 2021, Section 19.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 19.1 A. Any blind, physically handicapped disabled, deaf or hard-of-hearing person who is a passenger on any common carrier, airplane, motor vehicle, railroad train, motorbus, streetcar, boat, or any other public conveyance or mode of transportation operating within this state or any dog trainer from a recognized training center when in the act of training guide, signal, or service dogs shall be entitled to have with him or her a guide, signal, or service dog specially trained or being trained for that purpose, without being required to pay an additional charge therefor, but shall be liable as hereafter set forth in subsection B of this section.

B. A blind, physically handicapped disabled, deaf or hard-of-hearing person and his or her guide, signal, or service dog or a dog trainer from a recognized training center in the act of training guide, signal, or service dogs shall not be denied admittance to or refused access to any of the following because of such dog: Any street, highway, sidewalk, walkway, any common carrier, airplane, motor vehicle, railroad train, motor bus, streetcar, boat, or any other public conveyance or mode of transportation, hotel, motel, or other place of lodging, public building maintained by any unit or

1 subdivision of government, building to which the general public is invited, college dormitory and other educational facility, restaurant or other place where food is offered for sale to the 3 4 public, or any other place of public accommodation, amusement, 5 convenience, or resort to which the general public or any classification of persons from the general public is regularly, 6 7 normally, or customarily invited within the State of Oklahoma. blind, physically handicapped disabled, deaf or hard-of-hearing person or dog trainer from a recognized training center in the act 10 of training guide, signal, or service dogs shall not be required to pay any additional charges for his or her guide, signal, or service 11 dog, but shall be liable for any damage done to the premises by such 12 13 dog.

C. A dog used by a deaf or hard-of-hearing person shall be required to wear an orange identifying collar.

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- D. For the purposes of this section and Section 113.1 of Title 41 of the Oklahoma Statutes:
- 1. "Physically handicapped person" or "physically disabled person" means any person who has a physical impairment which severely and permanently restricts mobility of two or more extremities, or who is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of a wheelchair;
- 2. "Service dog" means any dog individually trained to the physically handicapped disabled person's requirements; and

3. "Signal dog" means any dog trained to alert a deaf or hardof-hearing person to intruders or sounds.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2021, Section 175.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 175.5 (a) The Commission is hereby authorized and directed to formulate and to be responsible for the administration and operation of a comprehensive and detailed plan for the purposes specified in Section 175.1 et seq. of this title, and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary or desirable for the administration of this plan and the implementation of the provisions of this act.

- (b) The Commission shall receive and expend in accordance with such plan all necessary funds made available to it by the United States government, by the state or its political subdivisions, or by any other sources for such purposes.
- (c) The Commission shall cooperate with the federal government, through its appropriate agency, in developing, extending, and improving such services, and in the administration of the plan.
- (d) The Commission shall establish and maintain such methods of administration, including those necessary to establish and maintain a merit system of personnel administration, as are necessary for effective and efficient operation of the plan; shall maintain records and prepare reports of services rendered; and shall cooperate with health, medical, dental, nursing and welfare agencies

and organizations, and with any other agency of this state charged with the administration of laws providing for the vocational or remedial rehabilitation of handicapped children with disabilities.

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- (e) The Director is hereby authorized and directed to perform all the duties and functions now performed by the Director of the Oklahoma Commission for Crippled Children and such other duties relating to the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program as may be assigned to the Director by the Commission. The Director is hereby authorized and directed, subject to the control of the Commission, to set up in the Department of Public Welfare a unit to be charged primarily with responsibility in the field of health services for crippled children, including the planning, promoting and coordinating of crippled children's services. The Director is hereby authorized to delegate to the Supervisor of such unit of the Department such authority as is necessary under the laws of the federal government and rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, subject to the administrative supervision of the Director.
- (f) The Commission is authorized to create positions, fix salaries and employ necessary professional and clerical personnel, to appoint advisory committees or consultants, and to pay necessary travel expenses.

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(g) The Commission shall have authority to provide for the expenditure of all funds for the administration and operation of the program as specified in this act, including payment for physician's and dentist's services if payment is recommended by the council of the Oklahoma State Medical Association or the Executive Council of the Oklahoma Dental Association.

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- (h) The Commission is hereby authorized and directed to formulate plans and procedures and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the care of children with emergency conditions.
- 11 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2021, Section 175.7, is
 12 amended to read as follows:
 - Section 175.7 (a) The Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to approve or disapprove hospitals, convalescent homes, boarding homes, nursing homes or foster homes and to contract for their services on a basis not to exceed their per diem cost basis. The Commission is hereby also authorized and empowered to approve or disapprove professional personnel for the various types of services authorized and contemplated by this act, and to contract for their services.
 - (b) Only a person who has been duly licensed by the Board of Examiners in Optometry to practice optometry in this state, or a person who has been duly licensed by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to practice medicine or surgery in this

state shall be employed or paid under the provisions of this act, or
from appropriations made by this act, to examine the eyes of a

visually handicapped impaired child to determine whether or not he

the child has a defective vision that can be corrected with lenses,

or to fit and furnish lenses for any such child.

SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2021, Section 440, is amended to read as follows:

Section 440. There is hereby established within the Department of Human Services the Office of Child Care. The Office of Child Care shall:

1. Develop a state child care plan to qualify for federal child care and development block grant funds.

Such plan shall:

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a. Provide to the maximum extent practicable that parents or guardians of each eligible child be given the option to enroll such child with a child care provider that has a grant or contract for the provision of child care services with the Department of Human Services, which is selected by the parent or guardian, or to receive a child care certificate, as defined in Chapter 6 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, of value commensurate with the subsidy value of child care services provided through contract or grant;

b. Provide that nothing in the plan shall preclude the use of child care certificates for sectarian child care services if freely chosen by the parents;

2. Oversee distribution of state and federal funds related to child care;

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- 3. Provide technical assistance to employers who are interested in exploring child care benefits and community child care needs;
- 4. Assist the Oklahoma Department of Commerce in promoting Oklahoma as a state that cares about families and children;
- 5. Address barriers that limit the availability of care for children with handicaps disabilities, infants, school-age children and children whose parents work nontraditional hours;
- 6. Provide oversight, training and technical assistance to resource and referral programs;
- 7. Coordinate the provision of training statewide for child care providers;
- 8. Increase community awareness of the need for quality child care which is both available and affordable;
- 9. Serve as a clearinghouse for child care data, resources and initiatives;
- 10. Cooperate with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services regarding child care benefits for state employees; and
- 23 11. Advise parents that no outside child care can ever be as
 24 effective and beneficial as devoted loving care within the home, and

encourage parents to care for their children themselves, in their own home, whenever possible.

SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 1-4-708, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-4-708. A. In cases where the child has been adjudicated to be deprived due to repeated absence from school, the court may order counseling and treatment for the child and the parents.

- B. Prior to final disposition, the court shall require verification by the appropriate school district that the child found to be truant has been evaluated for literacy, learning disabilities, developmental disabilities, hearing and visual impairment, and other impediments which could constitute an educational handicap, if a child found to be truant has also been suspected of having a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the child has been evaluated according to the evaluation procedures in the IDEA to determine if the child is eligible for special education and related services. The results of such assessments or evaluations shall be made available to the court for use by the court in determining the disposition of the case.
- C. No child who has been adjudicated deprived upon the basis of noncompliance with the mandatory school attendance law alone may be placed in a public or private institutional facility or be removed

- 1 from the custody of the lawful parent, legal guardian, or custodian 2 of the child.
- D. A deprived adjudication based solely upon repeated absence from school shall not constitute a ground for termination of parental rights.
- 6 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 1-7-104, is 7 amended to read as follows:
- Section 1-7-104. A. The court shall ensure that the following information accompanies any deprived child placed outside the child's home as soon as the information becomes available:
- 11 1. Demographic information;

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- 2. Strengths, needs and general behavior of the child;
- 3. Circumstances which necessitated placement;
- 4. Type of custody and previous placement;
- 5. Pertinent family information including, but not limited to,
 the names of family members who are and who are not, by court order,
 allowed to visit the child and the child's relationship to the
 family which may affect placement;
- 6. Known and important life experiences and relationships which may significantly affect the child's feelings, behavior, attitudes or adjustment;
- 7. Whether the child has third-party insurance coverage which may be available to the child;

- 8. Education history to include present grade placement, last school attended, and special strengths and weaknesses. The
 Department of Human Services shall also assist the foster parents in getting the child admitted into school and obtaining the child's school records; and
 - 9. Known or available medical history including, but not limited to:
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- b. immunizations,
- c. childhood diseases,
- d. physical handicaps disabilities,
- e. psycho-social information, and
- f. the name of the child's last doctor, if known.
- B. When the Department places a child in out-of-home care, the Department shall provide the placement providers with sufficient medical information to enable the placement providers to care for the child safely and appropriately. Such medical information shall include, but not be limited to:
- 1. Any medical or psychological conditions;
- 20 2. Diseases, illnesses, accidents, allergies, and congenital defects;
- 3. The child's Medicaid card or information on any other thirdparty insurer, if any; and
 - 4. Immunization history.

- C. 1. The Department of Human Services shall establish a Passport Program for children in the custody of the Department.
- 2. The Program shall provide for a Passport, which shall be a compilation of the significant information provided for in subsections A and B of this section for each child, in particular, education and physical and behavioral health records.
- 3. In furtherance of the purposes of this section, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, the Department of Education, and the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall cooperate with the Department to establish the Passport Program.
- 4. The Passport shall accompany each child to wherever the child resides so long as the child is in the custody of the Department and the Department shall:
 - a. work with public and private partners to gain access to the information listed in subsections A and B of this section,
 - b. provide for a secure database in which to store the information, and
 - c. consult with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to convert Medicaid claims data to a usable format and to add it from other data sources in order to provide foster families more information about the history and needs of the child.

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5. For the purposes of Section ± 1210.546 of this act Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the secure database created to store Passport information shall be made available to the Office of Juvenile Affairs. Such access shall be limited to student performance reports for students in the custody of the Office of Juvenile Affairs.

- 7 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2021, Section 2-2-503, is 8 amended to read as follows:
 - Section 2-2-503. A. The following kinds of orders of disposition may be made in respect to children adjudicated in need of supervision or delinquent:
 - 1. The court may place the child on probation with or without supervision in the home of the child, or in the custody of a suitable person, upon such conditions as the court shall determine. If the child is placed on probation, the court may impose a probation fee of not more than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per month, if the court finds that the child or parent or legal guardian of the child has the ability to pay the fee. In counties having a juvenile bureau, the fee shall be paid to the juvenile bureau; in all other counties, the fee shall be paid to the Office of Juvenile Affairs;
 - 2. If it is consistent with the welfare of the child, the child shall be placed with the parent or legal guardian of the child, but if it appears to the court that the conduct of such parent,

guardian, legal guardian, stepparent or other adult person living in the home has contributed to the child becoming delinquent or in need of supervision, the court may issue a written order specifying conduct to be followed by such parent, guardian, legal custodian, stepparent or other adult person living in the home with respect to such child. The conduct specified shall be such as would reasonably prevent the child from continuing to be delinquent or in need of supervision.

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a. If it is consistent with the welfare of the child, in cases where the child has been adjudicated to be in need of supervision due to repeated absence from school, the court may order counseling and treatment for the child and the parents of the child to be provided by the local school district, the county, the Office or a private individual or entity. Prior to final disposition, the court shall require that it be shown by the appropriate school district that if a child found to be truant has been evaluated for learning disabilities, hearing and visual impairments and other impediments which could constitute an educational handicap or has been evaluated to determine whether the child has a disability if it is suspected that the child may require special education services in accordance with the Individuals with

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Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) also been suspected of having a disability under the Individuals with

Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the child has been evaluated according to the evaluation procedures in the IDEA to determine if the child is eligible for special education and related services. The results of such tests shall be made available to the court for use by the court in determining the disposition of the case.

- b. In issuing orders to a parent, guardian, legal guardian, stepparent or other adult person living in the home of a child adjudicated to be a delinquent child or in making other disposition of said delinquent child, the court may consider the testimony of said parent, guardian, legal guardian, stepparent or other adult person concerning the behavior of the juvenile and the ability of such person to exercise parental control over the behavior of the juvenile.
- c. In any dispositional order involving a child age sixteen (16) or older, the court shall make a determination, where appropriate, of the services needed to assist the child to make the transition to independent living.

d. No child who has been adjudicated in need of supervision only upon the basis of truancy or noncompliance with the mandatory school attendance law shall be placed in a public or private institutional facility or be removed from the custody of the lawful parent, guardian or custodian of the child.

- e. Nothing in the Oklahoma Juvenile Code or the Oklahoma

 Children's Code may be construed to prevent a child

 from being adjudicated both deprived and delinquent if

 there exists a factual basis for such a finding;
- 3. The court may commit the child to the custody of a private institution or agency, including any institution established and operated by the county, authorized to care for children or to place them in family homes. In committing a child to a private institution or agency, the court shall select one that is licensed by any state department supervising or licensing private institutions and agencies; or, if such institution or agency is in another state, by the analogous department of that state. Whenever the court shall commit a child to any institution or agency, it shall transmit with the order of commitment a summary of its information concerning the child, and such institution or agency shall give to the court such information concerning the child as the court may at any time require;

4. The court may order the child to receive counseling or other community-based services as necessary;

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- 5. The court may commit the child to the custody of the Office of Juvenile Affairs. Any order adjudicating the child to be delinquent and committing the child to the Office of Juvenile Affairs shall be for an indeterminate period of time;
- 6. If the child has been placed outside the home, and it appears to the court that the parent, guardian, legal custodian, or stepparent, or other adult person living in the home has contributed to the child becoming delinquent or in need of supervision, the court may order that the parent, guardian, legal custodian, stepparent, or other adult living in the home be made subject to any treatment or placement plan prescribed by the Office or other person or agency receiving custody of the child;
- 7. With respect to a child adjudicated a delinquent child, the court may:
 - a. for acts involving criminally injurious conduct as defined in Section 142.3 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, order the child to pay a victim compensation assessment in an amount not to exceed that amount specified in Section 142.18 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The court shall forward a copy of the adjudication order to the Crime Victims Compensation Board for purposes of Section 142.11 of

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Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Except as otherwise provided by law, such adjudication order shall be kept confidential by the Board,

- b. order the child to engage in a term of community service without compensation. The state or any political subdivision shall not be liable if a loss or claim results from any acts or omission of a child ordered to engage in a term of community service pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph,
- c. order the child, the parent or parents of the child, legal guardian of the child, or both the child and the parent or parents of the child or legal guardian at the time of the delinquent act of the child to make full or partial restitution to the victim of the offense which resulted in property damage or personal injury.
 - (1) The court shall notify the victim of the dispositional hearing. The court may consider a verified statement from the victim concerning damages for injury or loss of property and actual expenses of medical treatment for personal injury, excluding pain and suffering. If contested, a restitution hearing to determine the liability of the child, the parent or parents of

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the child, or legal guardian shall be held not later than thirty (30) days after the disposition hearing and may be extended by the court for good cause. The parent or parents of the child or legal guardian may be represented by an attorney in the matter of the order for remittance of the restitution by the parent or parents of the child or legal guardian. The burden of proving that the amount indicated on the verified statement is not fair and reasonable shall be on the person challenging the fairness and reasonableness of the amount.

(2) Restitution may consist of monetary reimbursement for the damage or injury in the form of a lump sum or installment payments after the consideration of the court of the nature of the offense, the age, physical and mental condition of the child, the earning capacity of the child, the parent or parents of the child, or legal guardian, or the ability to pay, as the case may be. The payments shall be made to such official designated by the court for distribution to the victim. The court may also consider any other hardship on the child, the parent or parents of

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the child, or legal guardian and, if consistent with the welfare of the child, require community service in lieu of restitution or require both community service and full or partial restitution for the acts of delinquency by the child.

- (3) A child who is required to pay restitution and who is not in willful default of the payment of restitution may at any time request the court to modify the method of payment. If the court determines that payment under the order will impose a manifest hardship on the child, the parent or parents of the child, or legal guardian, the court may modify the method of payment.
- (4) If the restitution is not being paid as ordered, the official designated by the court to collect and disburse the restitution ordered shall file a written report of the violation with the court.

 The report shall include a statement of the amount of the arrearage and any reasons for the arrearage that are known by the official. A copy of the report shall be provided to all parties and the court shall promptly take any action necessary to compel compliance.

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Upon the juvenile attaining eighteen (18) years of age, the court shall determine whether the restitution order has been satisfied. If the restitution order has not been satisfied, the court shall enter a judgment of restitution in favor of each person entitled to restitution for the unpaid balance of any restitution ordered pursuant to this subparagraph. The clerk of the court shall send a copy of the judgment of restitution to each person who is entitled to restitution. The judgment shall be a lien against all property of the individual or individuals ordered to pay restitution and may be enforced by the victim or any other person or entity named in the judgment to receive restitution in the same manner as enforcing monetary judgments. The restitution judgment does not expire until paid in full and is deemed to be a criminal penalty for the purposes of a federal bankruptcy involving the child,

d. order the child to pay the fine which would have been imposed had such child been convicted of such crime as an adult. Any such fine collected pursuant to this paragraph shall be deposited in a special Work

Restitution Fund to be established by the court to

allow children otherwise unable to pay restitution to

work in community service projects in the private or

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- e. order the cancellation or denial of driving privileges as provided by Sections 6-107.1 and 6-107.2 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- f. sanction detention in the residence of the child or facility designated by the Office of Juvenile Affairs or the juvenile bureau for such purpose for up to five (5) days, order weekend detention in a place other than a juvenile detention facility or shelter, tracking, or house arrest with electronic monitoring, and
- g. impose consequences, including detention as provided for in subparagraph f of this paragraph, for postadjudicatory violations of probation;
- 8. The court may order the child to participate in the Juvenile Drug Court Program;
- 9. The court may dismiss the petition or otherwise terminate its jurisdiction at any time for good cause shown; and
- 10. In any dispositional order removing a child from the home of the child, the court shall, in addition to the findings required

by Section 2-2-105 of this title, make a determination that, in accordance with the best interests of the child and the protection of the public, reasonable efforts have been made to provide for the return of the child to the home of the child, or that efforts to reunite the family are not required as provided in Section 2-2-105 of this title, and reasonable efforts are being made to finalize an alternate permanent placement for the child.

- B. Prior to adjudication or as directed by a law enforcement subpoena or court order, a school district may disclose educational records to the court or juvenile justice system for purposes of determining the ability of the juvenile justice system to effectively serve a child. Any disclosure of educational records shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA). If the parent, guardian, or custodian of a child adjudicated a delinquent child asserts that the child has approval not to attend school pursuant to Section 10-105 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the court or the Office of Juvenile Affairs may require the parent to provide a copy of the written, joint agreement to that effect between the school administrator of the school district where the child attends school and the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child.
- C. With respect to a child adjudicated a delinquent child for a violent offense, within thirty (30) days of the date of the adjudication either the juvenile bureau in counties which have a

juvenile bureau or the Office of Juvenile Affairs in all other counties shall notify the superintendent of the school district in which the child is enrolled or intends to enroll of the delinquency adjudication and the offense for which the child was adjudicated.

- D. No child who has been adjudicated in need of supervision may be placed in a secure facility.
- E. No child charged in a state or municipal court with a violation of state or municipal traffic laws or ordinances, or convicted therefor, may be incarcerated in jail for the violation unless the charge for which the arrest was made would constitute a felony if the child were an adult. Nothing contained in this subsection shall prohibit the detention of a juvenile for traffic-related offenses prior to the filing of a petition in the district court alleging delinquency as a result of the acts and nothing contained in this section shall prohibit detaining a juvenile pursuant to Section 2-2-102 of this title.
- F. The court may revoke or modify a disposition order and may order redisposition. The child whose disposition is being considered for revocation or modification at said hearing shall be afforded the following rights:
- 1. Notice by the filing of a motion for redisposition by the district attorney. The motion shall be served on the child and the parent or legal guardian of the child at least five (5) business days prior to the hearing;

2. The proceedings shall be heard without a jury and shall require establishment of the facts alleged by a preponderance of the evidence;

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- 3. During the proceeding, the child shall have the right to be represented by counsel, to present evidence, and to confront any witness testifying against the child;
- 4. Any modification, revocation or redisposition removing the child from the physical custody of a parent or guardian shall be subject to review on appeal, as in other appeals of delinquent cases;
- 5. If the child is placed in secure detention, bail may be allowed pending appeal; and
- 6. The court shall not enter an order removing the child from the custody of a parent or legal guardian pursuant to this section unless the court first finds that reasonable efforts have been made to maintain the family unit and prevent the unnecessary removal of the child from the home of the child or that an emergency exists which threatens the safety of the child and that:
 - a. such removal is necessary to protect the public,
 - b. the child is likely to sustain harm if not immediately removed from the home,
 - c. allowing the child to remain in the home is contrary to the welfare of the child, or

d. immediate placement of the child is in the best interests of the child.

The court shall state in the record that such considerations have been made. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to limit the authority or discretion of the agency providing probation supervision services to modify the terms of probation including, but not limited to, curfews, imposing community service, or any nondetention consequences.

- G. A willful violation of any provision of an order of the court issued under the provisions of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code shall constitute indirect contempt of court and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) or, as to a delinquent child, placement in a juvenile detention center for not more than ten (10) days, or by both such fine and detention.
- SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 17 O.S. 2021, Section 140.2, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 140.2 The Corporation Commission shall prohibit any local exchange company or interexchange carrier from billing a subscriber on the subscriber's telephone bill for a pay-per-call service or interactive program whose message content contains:
- 1. Vulgar language, explicit or implicit descriptions of violence or sexual conduct, adult entertainment, or incitement to violence;

- 2. Inflammatory or demeaning portrayals of the race, religion, political affiliation, ethnicity, gender, or handicap disability of any individual or group; or
 - 3. False, misleading or deceptive advertising.

- 5 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 649.3, is 6 amended to read as follows:
 - Section 649.3 A. No person shall willfully harm, including torture, torment, beat, mutilate, injure, disable, or otherwise mistreat or kill a service animal that is used for the benefit of any handicapped disabled person in the state.
 - B. No person including, but not limited to, any municipality or political subdivision of the state, shall willfully interfere with the lawful performance of any service animal used for the benefit of any handicapped disabled person in the state.
 - C. Except as provided in subsection D of this section, any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by the imposition of a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
 - D. Any person who knowingly and willfully and without lawful cause or justification violates the provisions of this section, during the commission of a misdemeanor or felony, shall be guilty of a felony, punishable by the imposition of a fine not exceeding One

Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment in the Department of Corrections not exceeding two (2) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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- Any person who encourages, permits or allows an animal owned or kept by such person to fight, injure, disable or kill a service animal used for the benefit of any handicapped disabled person in this state, or to interfere with a service animal in any place where the service animal resides or is performing, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in subsection C of this section. In addition to the penalty imposed, the court shall order the violator to make restitution to the owner of the service animal for actual costs and expenses incurred as a direct result of any injury, disability or death caused to the service animal, including but not limited to costs of replacing and training any new service animal when a service animal is killed, disabled or unable to perform due to injury. For purpose of this subsection, when a person informs the owner of an animal that the animal is a threat and requests the owner to control or contain the animal and the owner disregards the request, the owner shall be deemed to have encouraged, permitted or allowed any resulting injury to or interference with a service animal.
- F. Notwithstanding any ordinance in effect as of the effective date of this act, no municipality or political subdivision of the state, or any official thereof, may enact or enforce any ordinance

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or rule that requires any registration or licensing fee for any
service animal as defined in this section that is used for the
purpose of guiding or assisting a disabled person who has a sensory,
mental, or physical impairment. Any official violating the
provisions of this paragraph shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
punishable by a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars ($50.00).
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- G. As used in this section, "service animal" means an animal that is trained for the purpose of guiding or assisting a disabled person who has a sensory, mental, or physical impairment.
- SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. 2021, Section 307, is amended to read as follows:

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- Section 307. A. No public body shall hold executive sessions unless otherwise specifically provided in this section.
 - B. Executive sessions of public bodies will be permitted only for the purpose of:
 - Discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee;
 - 2. Discussing negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups;
 - 3. Discussing the purchase or appraisal of real property;
 - 4. Confidential communications between a public body and its attorney concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action if the public body, with the advice of its attorney, determines that

disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the public body to
process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation, or
proceeding in the public interest;

- 5. Permitting district boards of education to hear evidence and discuss the expulsion or suspension of a student when requested by the student involved or the student's parent, attorney or legal quardian;
- 6. Discussing matters involving a specific handicapped child with a disability;
- 7. Discussing any matter where disclosure of information would violate confidentiality requirements of state or federal law;
- 8. Engaging in deliberations or rendering a final or intermediate decision in an individual proceeding pursuant to Article II of the Administrative Procedures Act;
- 9. Discussing matters involving safety and security at state penal institutions or correctional facilities used to house state inmates;
- 10. Discussing contract negotiations involving contracts requiring approval of the Board of Corrections, which shall be limited to members of the public body, the attorney for the public body, and the immediate staff of the public body. No person who may profit directly or indirectly by a proposed transaction which is under consideration may be present or participate in the executive session; or

1	11.	Discussing the following:		
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4		b.	assessments of the vulnerability of government	
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9		d. plans for response or remediation after an act of		
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11		е.	information technology of the public body but only if	
12			the discussion specifically identifies:	
13			(1) design or functional schematics that demonstrate	
14			the relationship or connections between devices	
15			or systems,	
16			(2) system configuration information,	
17			(3) security monitoring and response equipment	
18			placement and configuration,	
19			(4) specific location or placement of systems,	
20			components or devices,	
21			(5) system identification numbers, names, or	
22			connecting circuits,	
23			(6) business continuity and disaster planning, or	
24			response plans, or	

(7) investigation information directly related to security penetrations or denial of services, or

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f. the investigation of an act of terrorism that has already been committed.

For the purposes of this subsection, the term "terrorism" means any act encompassed by the definitions set forth in Section 1268.1 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B of this section, the following public bodies may hold executive sessions:
- 1. The State Banking Board, as provided for under Section 306.1 of Title 6 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 2. The Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority, as provided for in Section 854 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 3. The Oklahoma Development Finance Authority, as provided for in Section 5062.6 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 4. The Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, as provided for in Section 5060.7 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 5. The Oklahoma Health Research Committee for purposes of conferring on matters pertaining to research and development of products, if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of patents, copyrights, products, or services;

6. The Workers' Compensation Commission for the purposes provided for in Section 20 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes;

- 7. A review committee, as provided for in Section 855 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 8. The Child Death Review Board for purposes of receiving and conferring on matters pertaining to materials declared confidential by law;
- 9. The Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board as provided in Section 1601 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 10. The Opioid Overdose Fatality Review Board, as provided in Section 2-1001 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 11. All nonprofit foundations, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies, trusteeships, authorities, councils, committees, public trusts, task forces or study groups supported in whole or part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of public funds for purposes of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or to locate within their jurisdiction if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business;
- 12. The Oklahoma Indigent Defense System Board for purposes of discussing negotiating strategies in connection with making possible

counteroffers to offers to contract to provide legal representation
to indigent criminal defendants and indigent juveniles in cases for
which the System must provide representation pursuant to the
provisions of the Indigent Defense System Act;

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- 13. The Quality Investment Committee for purposes of discussing applications and confidential materials pursuant to the terms of the Oklahoma Quality Investment Act; and
- 14. The Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority established pursuant to Section 24-101 et seq. of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes and in its role as an electric utility regulated by the federal government, for purposes of discussing security plans and procedures including, but not limited to, cybersecurity matters.
- D. Except as otherwise specified in this subsection, an executive session for the purpose of discussing the purchase or appraisal of real property shall be limited to members of the public body, the attorney for the public body and the immediate staff of the public body. No landowner, real estate salesperson, broker, developer or any other person who may profit directly or indirectly by a proposed transaction concerning real property which is under consideration may be present or participate in the executive session, unless they are operating under an existing agreement to represent the public body.
- E. No public body may go into an executive session unless the following procedures are strictly complied with:

1. The proposed executive session is noted on the agenda as provided in Section 311 of this title;

amended to read as follows:

- 2. The executive session is authorized by a majority vote of a quorum of the members present and the vote is a recorded vote; and
- 3. Except for matters considered in executive sessions of the State Banking Board and the Oklahoma Savings and Loan Board, and which are required by state or federal law to be confidential, any vote or action on any item of business considered in an executive session shall be taken in public meeting with the vote of each member publicly cast and recorded.
 - F. A willful violation of the provisions of this section shall:
- 1. Subject each member of the public body to criminal sanctions as provided in Section 314 of this title; and
- 2. Cause the minutes and all other records of the executive session, including tape recordings, to be immediately made public.

 SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 41 O.S. 2021, Section 113.1, is
- Section 113.1 A landlord shall not deny or terminate a tenancy to a blind <u>person</u>, deaf <u>person</u>, or <u>physically handicapped a person with a disability because of the guide, signal, or service dog of such person unless such dogs are specifically prohibited in the rental agreement entered into prior to November 1, 1985.</u>
- SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 43A O.S. 2021, Section 5-502, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-502. As used in the Inpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act:

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- 1. "Minor" means any person under eighteen (18) years of age;
- 2. a. "Minor in need of treatment" means a minor who because of his or her mental illness or drug or alcohol dependency:
 - (1) poses a substantial risk of physical harm to self in the near future as manifested by evidence of serious threats of or attempts at suicide or other significant self-inflicted bodily harm,
 - (2) poses a substantial risk of physical harm to another person or persons in the near future as manifested by evidence of violent behavior directed toward another person or persons,
 - (3) has placed another person or persons in a reasonable fear of violent behavior or serious physical harm directed toward such person or persons as manifested by serious and immediate threats,
 - (4) is in a condition of severe deterioration such that, without intervention, there exists a substantial risk that severe impairment or injury to the minor will result in the near future, or

1 (5) poses a substantial risk of serious physical
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- b. The mental health or substance abuse history of the minor may be used as part of the evidence to determine whether the minor is a minor in need of treatment as defined in this section. The mental health or substance abuse history of the minor shall not be the sole basis for this determination.
- c. The term "minor in need of treatment" shall not mean a minor afflicted with epilepsy, a developmental disability, organic brain syndrome, physical handicaps disability, brief periods of intoxication caused by such substances as alcohol or drugs or who is truant or sexually active unless the minor also meets the criteria for a minor in need of treatment pursuant to subparagraph a or b of this paragraph;
- 3. "Consent" means the voluntary, express, and informed agreement to treatment in a mental health facility by a minor sixteen (16) years of age or older or by a parent of the minor;
- 4. "Individualized treatment plan" means a specific plan for the care and treatment of an individual minor who requires inpatient

mental health treatment. The plan shall be developed with maximum involvement of the family of the minor, consistent with the desire of the minor for confidentiality and with the treatment needs of the minor, and shall clearly include the following:

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- a. a statement of the presenting problems of the minor, short- and long-term treatment goals and the estimated date of discharge. The short- and long-term goals shall be based upon a clinical evaluation and shall include specific behavioral and emotional goals against which the success of treatment can be measured,
- b. treatment methods and procedures to be used to achieve these goals, which methods and procedures are related to each of these goals and which include, but are not limited to, specific prognosis for achieving each of these goals,
- c. identification of the types of professional personnel who will carry out the treatment procedures including, but not limited to, appropriate licensed mental health professionals, education professionals, and other health or social service professionals, and
- d. documentation of the involvement of the minor or the parent of the minor or legal custodian in the

development of the treatment plan and whether all persons have consented to such plan;

5. "Inpatient treatment" means treatment services offered or provided for a continuous period of more than twenty-four (24) hours in residence after admission to a mental health or substance abuse treatment facility for the purpose of observation, evaluation or treatment;

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- 6. "Least restrictive alternative" means the treatment and conditions of treatment which, separately and in combination, are no more intrusive or restrictive of freedom than reasonably necessary to achieve a substantial therapeutic benefit to the minor, or to protect the minor or others from physical injury;
- 7. "Less restrictive alternative to inpatient treatment" means and includes, but is not limited to, outpatient counseling services, including services provided in the home of the minor and which may be referred to as "home-based services", day treatment or day hospitalization services, respite care, or foster care or group home care, as defined by Section 1-1-105 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes, through a program established and specifically designed to meet the needs of minors in need of mental health treatment, or a combination thereof;
- 8. "Licensed mental health professional" means a person who is not related by blood or marriage to the person being examined or

does not have any interest in the estate of the person being
examined, and who is:

a. a psychiatrist who is a diplomate of the American
Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or American
Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry,

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- b. a physician licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act or the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act,
- c. a clinical psychologist who is duly licensed to practice by the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists,
- d. a professional counselor licensed pursuant to the Licensed Professional Counselors Act,
- e. a person licensed as a clinical social worker pursuant to the provisions of the Licensed Social Workers Act,
- f. a licensed marital and family therapist as defined in the Marital and Family Therapist Licensure Act,
- g. a licensed behavioral practitioner as defined in the Licensed Behavioral Practitioner Act,
- h. an advanced practice nurse, as defined in the Oklahoma

 Nursing Practice Act, specializing in mental health,
- i. a physician assistant, who is licensed in good standing in this state, or

j. a licensed alcohol and drug counselor/mental health (LADC/MH) as defined in the Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors Act.

For the purposes of this paragraph, "licensed" means that the person holds a current, valid license issued in accordance with the laws of this state;

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- 9. "Mental health evaluation" means an examination or evaluation of a minor for the purpose of making a determination whether, in the opinion of the licensed mental health professional making the evaluation, the minor is a minor in need of treatment and, if so, is in need of inpatient treatment and for the purpose of preparing reports or making recommendations for the most appropriate and least restrictive treatment for the minor;
- 10. "Mental health facility" means a public or private hospital or related institution as defined by Section 1-701 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes offering or providing inpatient mental health services, a public or private facility accredited as an inpatient or residential psychiatric facility by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, or a facility operated by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and designated by the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services as appropriate for the inpatient evaluation or treatment of minors;

11. "Mental illness" means a substantial disorder of the child's thought, mood, perception, psychological orientation or memory that demonstrably and significantly impairs judgment, behavior or capacity to recognize reality or to meet the ordinary demands of life. "Mental illness" may include substance abuse, which is the use, without compelling medical reason, of any substance which results in psychological or physiological dependency as a function of continued use in such a manner as to induce mental, emotional, or physical impairment and cause socially dysfunctional or socially disordering behavior;

12. "Parent" means:

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- a. a biological or adoptive parent who has legal custody of the minor or has visitation rights,
- a person judicially appointed as a legal guardian or custodian of the minor, or
- c. a relative within the third degree of consanguinity who exercises the rights and responsibilities of legal custody by delegation from a parent, as provided by law;
- 13. "Person responsible for the supervision of the case" means:
 - a. when the minor is in the legal custody of a private child care agency, the Department of Human Services or the Office of Juvenile Affairs, the caseworker or

other person designated by the agency to supervise the case, or

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- b. when the minor is a ward of the court and under the court-ordered supervision of the Department of Human Services, the Office of Juvenile Affairs or a statutorily constituted juvenile bureau, the person designated by the Department of Human Services, the Office of Juvenile Affairs or juvenile bureau to supervise the case;
- 14. "Initial assessment (medical necessity review)" means the examination of current and recent behaviors and symptoms of a minor who appears to be mentally ill, alcohol-dependent, or drug-dependent and a minor requiring treatment, whose condition is such that it appears that emergency detention may be warranted by a licensed mental health professional at a facility approved by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, or a designee, as appropriate for such examination to determine if emergency detention of the minor is warranted, and whether admission for inpatient mental illness or drug- or alcohol-dependence treatment or evaluation constitutes the least restrictive level of care necessary;
- 15. "Ward of the court" means a minor adjudicated to be a deprived child, a child in need of supervision, or a delinquent child;

16. "Treatment" means any planned intervention intended to improve the functioning of a minor in those areas which show impairment as a result of mental illness or drug or alcohol dependence; and

- 17. "Prehearing detention order" means a court order that authorizes a facility to detain a minor pending a hearing on a petition to determine whether the minor is a minor in need of treatment.
- SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1104.6, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1104.6 A. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of the fee authorized by Section 14 1135.5 of this act title for Choose Life license plates shall be deposited to the Choose Life Assistance Program created in subsection B of this section.
- B. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Department of Human Services to be designated the Choose Life Assistance Program. The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all the monies received by the Department of Human Services pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 1135.5 of this act title. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are appropriated and shall be distributed at the beginning of each fiscal year in a pro rata share to all nonprofit organizations that provide services to the community that include counseling and meeting the physical needs of

- pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption. Any unused funds in excess of ten percent (10%) of the funds allocated to a nonprofit organization shall be returned to the Choose Life Assistance Program Revolving Fund at the end of the fiscal year to be aggregated and distributed with the next fiscal year distribution.
 - C. To apply for and receive the funds available through the Choose Life Assistance Program, an organization must deliver to the Department of Human Services an affidavit signed by a duly appointed representative of the organization that states the following:
 - 1. The organization is a nonprofit organization;

- 2. The organization does not discriminate for any reason, including, but not limited to, race, marital status, gender, religion, national origin, handicap disability, or age;
- 3. The organization counsels pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption;
- 4. The organization is not involved or associated with any abortion activities, including counseling for or referrals to abortion clinics, providing medical abortion-related procedures, or pro-abortion advertising;
- 5. The organization does not charge women for any services received;
- 6. The organization understands that sixty percent (60%) of the funds received by an organization can only be used to provide for

the material needs of pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption, including clothing, housing, medical care, food, utilities, and transportation. Such funds may also be expended on infants awaiting placement with adoptive parents. Forty percent (40%) of the funds may be used for adoption, counseling, training, or advertising, but may not be used for administrative expenses, legal expenses, or capital expenditures—;

- 7. The organization understands that no funds may be used for administrative expenses, legal expenses, or capital expenditures;
- 8. The organization understands that any unused funds at the end of the fiscal year that exceed ten percent (10%) of the funds received by the organization during the fiscal year must be returned to the Choose Life Assistance Program Revolving Fund to be aggregated and distributed with the next fiscal year distribution; and
- 9. The organization understands that each organization that receives such funds must submit to an annual audit of such funds verifying that the funds received were used in the manner prescribed by statute.
- D. Funds may not be distributed to any organization that is involved or associated with abortion activities, including counseling for or referral to abortion clinics, providing medical abortion-related procedures, or pro-abortion advertising, and funds

1 may not be distributed to any organization that charges women for 2 services received.

- E. Sixty percent (60%) of the funds received by an organization can only be used to provide for the material needs of pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption, including clothing, housing, medical care, food, utilities, and transportation. Such funds may also be expended on infants awaiting placement with adoptive parents. Forty percent (40%) of the funds may be used for adoption, counseling, training, or advertising, but may not be used for administrative expenses, legal expenses, or capital expenditures.
 - F. Each organization that receives funds must submit to an annual audit of such funds verifying that the funds received were used in the manner prescribed in this section.
- SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1135.1, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1135.1 A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission is hereby authorized to design and issue appropriate official special license plates to persons as provided by this section.
- Special license plates shall not be transferred to any other person but shall be removed from the vehicle upon transfer of ownership and retained. The special license plate may then be used on another vehicle but only after such other vehicle has been registered for the current year.

Except as provided in subsection B of this section, special license plates shall be renewed each year by the Tax Commission or a motor license agent. The Tax Commission shall annually notify by mail all persons issued special license plates. The notice shall contain all necessary information and shall contain instructions for the renewal procedure upon presentation to a motor license agent or the Tax Commission. The license plates shall be issued on a staggered system. The motor license agent fees shall be paid out of the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

On and after January 1, 2022, if a physically disabled license plate is issued pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection B of this section, any registration fee required for such plate pursuant to this section and the fee required pursuant to Section 1132 of this title shall be remitted at the same time and subject to a single registration period. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall determine, by rule, a method for making required fee and registration period adjustments when a physically disabled license plate is obtained during a twelve-month period for which a registration fee has already been remitted pursuant to Section 1132 of this title. The combination of fees in a single remittance shall not alter the apportionment otherwise provided for in this section.

B. The special license plates provided by this section are as follows:

1. Political Subdivision Plates - such plates shall be designed for any vehicle owned by any political subdivision of this state having obtained a proper Oklahoma certificate of title. Such political subdivisions shall file an annual report with the Tax Commission stating the agency where such vehicle is located. Such license plates shall be permanent in nature and designed in such a manner as to remain with the vehicle for the duration of the life span of the vehicle or until the title is transferred to an owner who is not a political subdivision.

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The registration fee shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees levied by Section 1132 of this title;

- 2. Tax-Exempt or Nonprofit License Plates such plates shall be designed for:
 - a. any motor bus, manufactured home, or mobile chapel and power unit owned and operated by a religious corporation or society of this state holding a valid exemption from taxation issued pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(a), and listed as an exempt organization in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and that is used by the corporation or society solely for the furtherance of its religious functions,

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- b. any vehicle owned and operated only by nonprofit organizations devoted exclusively to youth programs including, but not limited to, the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of America,
- c. any vehicle, except passenger automobiles, owned or operated by nonprofit organizations actually involved in programs for the employment of the handicapped persons with a disability and used exclusively in the transportation of goods or materials for such organization,
- d. any vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit organization that provides older persons transportation to and from medical, dental and religious services and relief from business and social isolation,
- e. any vehicle owned and operated by a private nonprofit organization that:
 - (1) warehouses and distributes surplus foods to other nonprofit agencies and organizations, and
 - (2) holds a valid exemption from taxation issued pursuant to Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c), and listed as an exempt organization in

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Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and

- (3) uses such vehicle exclusively for the transportation of such surplus foods,
- f. any vehicle which:
 - (1) is owned and operated by a private, nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which is primarily funded by a fraternal or civic service organization with at least one hundred local chapters or clubs, and
 - (2) is designed and used to provide mobile health screening services to the general public at no cost to the recipient, and for which no reimbursement of any kind is received from any health insurance provider, health maintenance organization or governmental program, or
- g. any vehicle owned and operated by the Civil Air

 Patrol, a congressionally chartered corporation that

 also serves an auxiliary of the United States Air

 Force and which is exempt from taxation pursuant to

 the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal

 Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and is

used exclusively for its corporate missions of aerospace education, cadet programs and emergency services. Such license plates shall be permanent in nature and designed in such a manner as to remain with the vehicle for the duration of the life span of the vehicle or until the title to such vehicle is transferred to an owner who is not subject to this exemption. Such vehicles shall be exempt from the registration fees levied under Section 1132 of this title, except that an initial registration fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall apply to each vehicle.

Any person claiming to be eligible for a tax-exempt or nonprofit license plate under the provisions of this paragraph must have the name of the tax-exempt or nonprofit organization prominently displayed upon the outside of the vehicle, except those vehicles registered pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph b of this paragraph, unless such display is prohibited by federal or state law or by state agency rules. No vehicle shall be licensed as a tax-exempt or nonprofit vehicle unless the vehicle has affixed on each side thereof, in letters not less than two (2) inches high and two (2) inches wide, the name of the tax-exempt or nonprofit organization or the insignia or other symbol of such organization which shall be of sufficient size, shape and color as to be readily

legible during daylight hours from a distance of fifty (50) feet while the vehicle is not in motion.

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Except as provided in subparagraph g of this paragraph, the registration fee shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees levied by Section 1132 of this title;

3. Physically Disabled License Plates - such plates shall be designed for persons who are eligible for a physically disabled placard under the provisions of Section 15-112 of this title. shall prominently display the international accessibility symbol, which is a stylized human figure in a wheelchair. Commission shall also design physically disabled license plates for motorcycles owned by persons who are eligible for a physically disabled placard pursuant to the provisions of Section 15-112 of this title. Upon the death of the physically disabled person, the disabled license plate shall be returned to the Tax Commission. There shall be no fee for such plate in addition to the rate provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act for the registration of the vehicle. For an additional fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), a person eligible for a physically disabled license plate shall have the option of purchasing a duplicate physically disabled special license plate which shall be securely attached to the front of the vehicle. The original physically

disabled special license plate shall be securely attached to the rear of the vehicle at all times.

Any person who is eligible for a physically disabled license plate and whose vehicle has had modifications because of the physical disability of the owner or of a family member within the second degree of consanguinity of the owner, may register the vehicle for a flat fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00). This fee shall be in lieu of all other registration fees provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act;

4. Indian Tribal License Plates - such plates shall be designed for any vehicle of a native American Indian Tribal Association exempted in Sections 201 through 204 of Public Law 97-473 and used by the tribal association exclusively for the furtherance of its tribal functions.

The registration fee shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees levied by Section 1132 of this title;

5. Hearing Impaired License Plates - such plates shall be designed for persons who are hearing impaired. Such persons may apply for a hearing-impaired license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon the presentment of an application on a form furnished by the Tax Commission and certified by a physician holding a valid license to practice pursuant to the licensing provisions of Title 59 of the Oklahoma

Statutes, attesting that the person is hearing impaired. The
license plate shall be designed so that such persons may be readily
identified as being hearing impaired. There shall be no additional
fee for the plate, but all other registration fees provided by the
Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act shall apply;

6. Antique or Classic Vehicles License Plates - such plates shall be designed and issued for any vehicle twenty-five (25) years of age or older, based upon the date of manufacture thereof and which travels on the highways of this state primarily incidental to historical or exhibition purposes only.

The registration fee shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by law, except the registration fees levied by Section 1132 of this title. Any person registering an antique or classic vehicle may elect to have the vehicle registered for a ten-year period. The registration fee for the elected ten-year registration shall be Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00). The motor license agent registering the antique or classic vehicle for a ten-year period shall receive one hundred percent (100%) of the fees the motor license agent would have otherwise received pursuant to subsection A of Section 1141.1 of this title if the antique or classic vehicle had been registered on an annual basis; and

7. Honorary Consul License Plates - such plates shall be designed to include the words "Honorary Consul" and issued to

- 1 persons who are honorary consuls authorized by the United States to perform consular duties. Persons applying for such license plates must show proof of standing as an honorary consul. The fee for such 3 4 plate shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) and shall be in addition to all 5 other registration fees required by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. The owner of the vehicle that possesses such 6 7 license plates shall return the special license plates to the Oklahoma Tax Commission if the owner disposes of the vehicle during 8 the registration year or ceases to be authorized to perform consular 10 duties.
 - C. Special license plates provided by this section shall be designed in such a manner as to identify the use or ownership of the vehicle. Use of any vehicle possessing a special license plate provided by this section for any purpose not specified herein shall be grounds for revocation of the special license plate and registration certificate.

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- D. The fees provided by this section shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.
- SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2021, Section 549.1, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 549.1 A. The Department of Corrections is authorized to purchase in the manner prescribed by law, facilities, equipment, raw materials and supplies, and to engage the supervisory personnel necessary to establish and maintain for this state at the penal

institutions, now or hereafter under the control of the State Board of Corrections, industries and agricultural programs for the utilization of services of prisoners in the manufacture, production, processing or assembly of the articles or products as may be needed for the construction, operation, maintenance or use of any office, department, institution or agency supported in whole or in part by this state and the political subdivisions thereof. Upon the request of the Oklahoma Historical Society or the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, the Department of Corrections shall provide labor for and shall produce or manufacture articles, products or materials needed for the repair, construction and maintenance of historical sites and state parks including, but not limited to, the production of materials and products needed for the reconstruction of historic forts in the state.

B. All articles and services provided by the Department of Corrections in the state correctional institutions, and not required for use therein, shall be purchased as required by all offices, departments, institutions, agencies, counties, schools, colleges, universities, or political subdivisions or any agency thereof of this state which are supported in whole or in part by this state, if such article or service is the lowest and best bid, and no such article or product may be purchased by any such office, department, institution, agency, county, school, college, university, or political subdivisions or agency thereof from any other source

- unless excepted from the provisions as hereinafter provided.

 Purchases made by the above-described state agencies may be made by submitting the proper requisition through the Office of Management
- 4 and Enterprise Services or by direct order to the prison industries 5 program of the Department of Corrections.

- C. If a requisition is received by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services or a direct order is received by the Prison Industries Program of the Department of Corrections from a state agency for any product or service provided by the Department of Corrections and such product or service is also available from a severely <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/jo
- D. All offices, departments, institutions, agencies, counties, cities, districts or political subdivisions, schools, colleges, or universities, or any agency thereof, or any agencies of the state, which are supported in whole or in part by this state, may purchase the goods or services manufactured, produced, processed or assembled

by the prison industries of the Department of Corrections through their properly authorized purchasing authority, or they may place a direct order without competitive bid, with the prison industries of the Department of Corrections.

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- Not-for-profit corporations or charitable agencies chartered in Oklahoma or other states may purchase such goods and services. Units of the federal government and units of government in other states may also purchase such goods and services. All entities which contract with the state, its political units, its agencies, its public institutions, not-for-profit corporations or charitable agencies chartered in Oklahoma may purchase goods or services from the Department of Corrections which are used in the performance of such contracts. Any church located in the State of Oklahoma may also purchase goods and services manufactured, produced, processed or assembled by the prison industries of the Department of Corrections. Any community action agency or council of governments within this state may purchase housing components produced by the prison industries of the Department of Corrections. Nothing shall prohibit the Department from bidding on portions of a state contract which are subcontracted by the primary contractor.
- F. Others are prohibited from purchasing such goods and services, with the exception that all surplus agricultural products may be sold on the open market or bartered and exchanged for other food, feed or seed products of comparable value. The Department of

1 Corrections shall keep complete and accurate records of any such barters or exchanges in such form and manner as the Office of Management and Enterprise Services may prescribe. A copy of such records shall be filed with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services no later than March 1 of each year for all barters or exchanges occurring in the previous calendar year. When practicable, the Department of Corrections may accept and process agricultural products from the public and may export the resulting products to foreign markets.

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- G. Products manufactured, produced, processed or assembled by the Department of Corrections shall be of styles, patterns, designs and quantities specified by the Department of Corrections except where the same have been or may be specified by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services. Products shall be provided at a fair market price for comparable quality.
- State agencies shall make maximum utilization of such Η. products and no similar products shall be purchased by state agencies from any other source than the Department of Corrections except as provided in subsection C of this section, unless the Department of Corrections certifies to the State Purchasing Director that it is not able to provide products, and no claim therefor shall be paid without such certification.
- I. Exceptions from the mandatory provisions hereof may be made in any case where, in the opinion of the Office of Management and

Enterprise Services, the article or product does not meet the reasonable requirements of or for such offices, departments, institutions or agencies, or in any case where the requisitions made cannot be reasonably complied with. No such offices, departments, institutions or agencies, shall be allowed to evade the intent and meaning of this section by slight variations from standards adopted by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, when the articles, services or products produced, manufactured, processed or assembled by the Department of Corrections, in accordance with established standards, are reasonably adapted to the actual needs of such offices, departments, institutions or agencies.

- J. In the event of disagreement between the Department of Corrections and the State Purchasing Director on fairness of price, ability to comply to specifications, reasonableness of specifications and timeliness of delivery of products the matter will be resolved by the Purchasing Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.
- K. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall cooperate with the Department of Corrections in seeking to promote for use in state agencies and by all other eligible customers, the products manufactured and services provided by the prison industries.
- L. The Department of Corrections shall prepare catalogs containing the description of all goods and services provided, with

- the pricing of each item. Copies of such catalog shall be sent by
 the Department of Corrections to all offices, departments,
 institutions and agencies of this state, and shall be available for
 distribution to all other eligible customers. In lieu of preparing
 and distributing catalogs, the Department of Corrections may
 maintain a website that contains a description of all goods and
 - M. The Department of Corrections may keep confidential:

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- 1. Business plans, feasibility studies, financing proposals, marketing plans, financial statements or trade secrets submitted by a person or entity seeking a corrections industries partnership with the Department of Corrections;
- 2. Proprietary information of the business submitted to the Department for the purposes of a corrections industries partnership, and related confidentiality agreements detailing the information or records designated as confidential; and
- 3. The Department of Corrections may not keep confidential information when and to the extent that the person or entity submitting the information consents to disclosure.
- SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 328.3, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 328.3 As used in the State Dental Act, the following words, phrases, or terms, unless the context otherwise indicates, shall have the following meanings:

- 1. "Accredited dental college" means an institution whose dental educational program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association;
- 2. "Accredited dental hygiene program" means a dental hygiene educational program which is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association;
- 3. "Accredited dental assisting program" means a dental assisting program which is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association;
 - 4. "Board" means the Board of Dentistry;

- 5. "Certified dental assistant" means a dental assistant who has earned and maintains current certified dental assistant certification from the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB);
- 6. "Coronal polishing" means a procedure limited to the removal of plaque and stain from exposed tooth surfaces, utilizing a slow speed hand piece with a prophy/polishing cup or brush and polishing agent and is not prophylaxis. To be considered prophylaxis, examination for calculus and scaling must be done by a hygienist or dentist;
- 7. "Deep sedation" means a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients cannot be easily aroused but respond purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilator function may be impaired. Patients may require assistance in maintaining a patent

1 | airway, and spontaneous ventilation may be inadequate.

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- 8. "Dentistry" means the practice of dentistry in all of its branches;
 - 9. "Dentist" means a graduate of an accredited dental college who has been issued a license by the Board to practice dentistry as defined in Section 328.19 of this title;
 - 10. "Dental ambulatory surgical center (DASC)" means a facility that operates exclusively for the purpose of furnishing outpatient surgical services to patients. A DASC shall have the same privileges and requirements as a dental office and additionally must be an accredited facility by the appropriate entity;
 - 11. "Dental office" means an establishment owned and operated by a dentist for the practice of dentistry, which may be composed of reception rooms, business offices, private offices, laboratories, and dental operating rooms where dental operations are performed;
 - 12. "Dental hygienist" means an individual who has fulfilled the educational requirements and is a graduate of an accredited dental hygiene program and who has passed an examination and has been issued a license by the Board and who is authorized to practice dental hygiene as hereinafter defined;
 - 13. "Dental assistant or oral maxillofacial surgery assistant" means an individual working for a dentist, under the dentist's direct supervision or direct visual supervision, and performing

- duties in the dental office or a treatment facility including the
 limited treatment of patients in accordance with the provisions of
 the State Dental Act. A dental assistant or oral maxillofacial
 surgery assistant may assist a dentist with the patient; provided,
 this shall be done only under the direct supervision or direct
 visual supervision and control of the dentist and only in accordance
 with the educational requirements and rules promulgated by the
 Board;
- 9 14. "Dental laboratory" means a location, whether in a dental 10 office or not, where a dentist or a dental laboratory technician performs dental laboratory technology;

- 15. "Dental laboratory technician" means an individual whose name is duly filed in the official records of the Board, which authorizes the technician, upon the laboratory prescription of a dentist, to perform dental laboratory technology, which services must be rendered only to the prescribing dentist and not to the public;
- 16. "Dental laboratory technology" means using materials and mechanical devices for the construction, reproduction or repair of dental restorations, appliances or other devices to be worn in a human mouth;
- 17. "Dental specialty" means a specialized practice of a branch of dentistry, recognized by the Board, where the dental college and specialty program are accredited by the Commission on Dental

Accreditation (CODA), or a dental specialty recognized by the Board,
requiring a minimum number of hours of approved education and
training and/or recognition by a nationally recognized association
or accreditation board;

- 18. "Direct supervision" means the supervisory dentist is in the dental office or treatment facility and, during the appointment, personally examines the patient, diagnoses any conditions to be treated, and authorizes the procedures to be performed by a dental hygienist, dental assistant, or oral maxillofacial surgery assistant. The supervising dentist is continuously on-site and physically present in the dental office or treatment facility while the procedures are being performed and, before dismissal of the patient, evaluates the results of the dental treatment;
- 19. "Direct visual supervision" means the supervisory dentist has direct ongoing visual oversight which shall be maintained at all times during any procedure authorized to be performed by a dental assistant or an oral maxillofacial surgery assistant;
- 20. "Fellowship" means a program designed for post-residency graduates to gain knowledge and experience in a specialized field;
- 21. "General anesthesia" means a drug-induced loss of consciousness during which patients are not arousable, even by painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilator function is often impaired. Patients often require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and positive pressure

ventilation may be required because of depressed spontaneous

ventilation or drug-induced depression of neuromuscular function.

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- 22. "General supervision" means the supervisory dentist has diagnosed any conditions to be treated within the past thirteen (13) months, has personally authorized the procedures to be performed by a dental hygienist, and will evaluate the results of the dental treatment within a reasonable time as determined by the nature of the procedures performed, the needs of the patient, and the professional judgment of the supervisory dentist. General supervision may only be used to supervise a hygienist and may not be used to supervise an oral maxillofacial surgery assistant or dental assistant;
- 23. "Indirect supervision" means the supervisory dentist is in the dental office or treatment facility and has personally diagnosed any conditions to be treated, authorizes the procedures to be performed by a dental hygienist, remains in the dental office or treatment facility while the procedures are being performed, and will evaluate the results of the dental treatment within a reasonable time as determined by the nature of the procedures performed, the needs of the patient, and the professional judgment of the supervisory dentist. Indirect supervision may not be used for an oral maxillofacial surgery assistant or a dental assistant;

24. "Investigations" means an investigation proceeding, authorized under Sections 328.15A and 328.43a of this title, to investigate alleged violations of the State Dental Act or the rules of the Board;

- 25. "Laboratory prescription" means a written description, dated and signed by a dentist, of dental laboratory technology to be performed by a dental laboratory technician;
- 26. "Minimal sedation" means a minimally depressed level of consciousness, produced by a pharmacological method, that retains the patient's ability to independently and continuously maintain an airway and respond normally to tactile stimulation and verbal command. Although cognitive function and coordination may be modestly impaired, ventilator and cardiovascular functions are unaffected;
- 27. "Mobile dental anesthesia provider" means a licensed and anesthesia-permitted dentist, physician or certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) that has a mobile dental unit and provides anesthesia in dental offices and facilities in the state;
- 28. "Mobile dental clinic" means a permitted motor vehicle or trailer utilized as a dental clinic, and/or that contains dental equipment and is used to provide dental services to patients on-site and shall not include a mobile dental anesthesia provider. A mobile dental clinic shall also mean and include a volunteer mobile dental facility that is directly affiliated with a church or religious

organization as defined by Section 501(c)(3) or 501(d) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, the church or religious organization with which it is affiliated is clearly indicated on the exterior of the mobile dental facility, and such facility does not receive any form of payment either directly or indirectly for work provided to patients other than donations through the affiliated church or religious organization; provided, that the volunteer mobile dental facility shall be exempt from any registration fee required under the State Dental Act;

- 29. "Moderate sedation" means a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients respond purposefully to verbal commands, either alone or accompanied by light tactile stimulation. No interventions are required to maintain a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation is adequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained;
- 30. "Prophylaxis" means the removal of any and all calcareous deposits, stains, accretions or concretions from the supragingival and subgingival surfaces of human teeth, utilizing instrumentation by scaler or periodontal curette on the crown and root surfaces of human teeth including rotary or power-driven instruments. This procedure may only be performed by a dentist or dental hygienist;
- 31. "Patient" or "patient of record" means an individual who has given a medical history and has been examined and accepted by a dentist for dental care;

- 32. "Residencies" are programs designed for advanced clinical and didactic training in general dentistry or other specialties or other specialists at the post-doctoral level recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) or the Board;
 - 33. "Supervision" means direct supervision, direct visual supervision, indirect supervision or general supervision;
 - 34. "Teledentistry" means the remote delivery of dental patient care via telecommunications and other technology for the exchange of clinical information and images for dental consultation, preliminary treatment planning and patient monitoring; and
 - 35. "Treatment facility" means:

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- a. a federal, tribal, state or local public health facility,
- b. a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC),
- c. a private health facility,
- d. a group home or residential care facility serving the elderly, handicapped persons with a disability, or juveniles,
- e. a hospital or dental ambulatory surgery center (DASC),
- f. a nursing home,
- g. a penal institution operated by or under contract with the federal or state government,
- h. a public or private school,
- i. a patient of record's private residence,

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k. a dental college, dental program, dental hygiene program or dental assisting program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, or

1. such other places as are authorized by the Board.

SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 888.3, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 888.3 As used in the Occupational Therapy Practice Act:

"Occupational therapy" is a health profession for which practitioners provide assessment, treatment, and consultation through the use of purposeful activity with individuals who are limited by or at risk of physical illness or injury, psycho-social dysfunction, developmental or learning disabilities, poverty and cultural differences or the aging process, in order to maximize independence, prevent disability, and maintain health. Specific occupational therapy services include but are not limited to the use of media and methods such as instruction in daily living skills and cognitive retraining, facilitating self-maintenance, work and leisure skills, using standardized or adapted techniques, designing, fabricating, and applying selected orthotic equipment or selective adaptive equipment with instructions, using therapeutically applied creative activities, exercise, and other media to enhance and restore functional performance, to administer and interpret tests which may include sensorimotor evaluation, psycho-social

- assessments, standardized or nonstandardized tests, to improve

 developmental skills, perceptual and motor skills, and sensory

 integrative function, and to adapt the environment for the

 handicapped persons with a disability. These services are provided

 individually, in groups, via telehealth or through social systems;
 - 2. "Occupational therapist" means a person licensed to practice occupational therapy pursuant to the provisions of the Occupational Therapy Practice Act;

- 3. "Occupational therapy assistant" means a person licensed to provide occupational therapy treatment under the general supervision of a licensed occupational therapist;
- 4. "Occupational therapy aide" means a person who assists in the practice of occupational therapy and whose activities require an understanding of occupational therapy, but do not require the technical or professional training of an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant;
- 5. "Board" means the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision;
- 6. "Person" means any individual, partnership, unincorporated organization, or corporate body, except only an individual may be licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Occupational Therapy Practice Act;
- 7. "Committee" means the Oklahoma Occupational Therapy Advisory
 Committee;

8. "Telehealth" means the use of electronic information and telecommunications technologies to support and promote access to clinical health care, patient and professional health-related education, public health and health administration; and

- 9. "Telerehabilitation" or "teletherapy" means the delivery of rehabilitation and habilitation services via information and communication technologies (ICT), also commonly referred to as "telehealth" technologies.
- SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 61 O.S. 2021, Section 11, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 11. A. Unless otherwise provided for by law, all plans and specifications for the erection of public buildings by this state, or any agency or political subdivision thereof, or for any building erected through the use of public funds shall provide facilities for the handicapped disabled. Such facilities shall conform with the codes and standards adopted by the State Fire

 Marshal and amended by the Division's promulgated rules. Elevators shall be constructed and installed in said public buildings to the extent deemed feasible and financially reasonable by the contracting authority of the state or such political subdivision. Said codes and standards shall be on file in the Construction and Properties

 Division of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.
- B. After May 24, 1973, any building or facility which would have been subject to the provisions of this section but for the fact

that it was constructed prior to May 24, 1973, shall be subject to
the requirements of this section if additions are made to such
building or facility in any twelve-month period which increase the
total floor area of such building or facility by twenty-five percent
(25%) or more or if alterations or structural repairs are made to
such building or facility in any twelve-month period which affect
twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the total floor area of such
building or facility.

9 SECTION 21. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 34.29, is 10 amended to read as follows:

Section 34.29 As used in Sections 34.28 through 34.30 of this title:

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- 1. "Accessibility" means compliance with nationally accepted accessibility and usability standards, such as those established in Section 508 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998;
- 2. "Individual with disabilities" means any individual who is considered to have a disability or handicap for the purposes of any federal or Oklahoma law:
- 3. "Information technology" means any electronic information equipment or interconnected system that is used in the acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information, including audio, graphic, and text;

4. "State agency" means any office, officer, bureau, board, counsel, court, commission, institution, unit, division, body or house of the executive or judicial branches of the state government, whether elected or appointed, excluding political subdivisions of the state. State agency shall include the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the institutions, centers, or other constituent agencies of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, the State Board of Career and Technology Education and Technology Center school districts; and

- 5. "Undue burden" means significant difficulty or expense, including, but not limited to, difficulty or expense associated with technical feasibility.
- SECTION 22. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-741.12, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 1-741.12 A. It is the intent of the Legislature that the birth of a child does not constitute a legally recognizable injury and that it is contrary to public policy to award damages because of the birth of a child or for the rearing of that child.
 - B. For the purposes of this section:
 - 1. "Abortion" means the term as is defined in Section 1-730 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title;
 - 2. "Wrongful life action" means a cause of action that is brought by or on behalf of a child, which seeks economic or noneconomic damages for the child because of a condition of the

child that existed at the time of the child's birth, and which is
based on a claim that a person's act or omission contributed to the
mother's not having obtained an abortion; and

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- 3. "Wrongful birth action" means a cause of action that is brought by a parent or other person who is legally required to provide for the support of a child, which seeks economic or noneconomic damages because of a condition of the child that existed at the time of the child's birth, and which is based on a claim that a person's act or omission contributed to the mother's not having obtained an abortion.
- C. In a wrongful life action or a wrongful birth action, no damages may be recovered for any condition that existed at the time of a child's birth if the claim is that the defendant's act or omission contributed to the mother's not having obtained an abortion.
- D. This section shall not preclude causes of action based on claims that, but for a wrongful act or omission, maternal death or injury would not have occurred, or handicap, disease, or disability of an individual prior to birth would have been prevented, cured, or ameliorated in a manner that preserved the health and life of the affected individual.
- 22 SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2021, Section 2358, is 23 amended to read as follows:

Section 2358. For all tax years beginning after December 31, 1981, taxable income and adjusted gross income shall be adjusted to arrive at Oklahoma taxable income and Oklahoma adjusted gross income as required by this section.

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- A. The taxable income of any taxpayer shall be adjusted to arrive at Oklahoma taxable income for corporations and Oklahoma adjusted gross income for individuals, as follows:
- 1. There shall be added interest income on obligations of any state or political subdivision thereto which is not otherwise exempted pursuant to other laws of this state, to the extent that such interest is not included in taxable income and adjusted gross income.
- 2. There shall be deducted amounts included in such income that the state is prohibited from taxing because of the provisions of the Federal Constitution, the State Constitution, federal laws or laws of Oklahoma.
- 3. The amount of any federal net operating loss deduction shall be adjusted as follows:
 - a. For carryovers and carrybacks to taxable years

 beginning before January 1, 1981, the amount of any

 net operating loss deduction allowed to a taxpayer for

 federal income tax purposes shall be reduced to an

 amount which is the same portion thereof as the loss

 from sources within this state, as determined pursuant

to this section and Section 2362 of this title, for the taxable year in which such loss is sustained is of the total loss for such year;

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b. For carryovers and carrybacks to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1980, the amount of any net operating loss deduction allowed for the taxable year shall be an amount equal to the aggregate of the Oklahoma net operating loss carryovers and carrybacks to such year. Oklahoma net operating losses shall be separately determined by reference to Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 172, as modified by the Oklahoma Income Tax Act, Section 2351 et seq. of this title, and shall be allowed without regard to the existence of a federal net operating loss. For tax years beginning after December 31, 2000, and ending before January 1, 2008, the years to which such losses may be carried shall be determined solely by reference to Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 172, with the exception that the terms "net operating loss" and "taxable income" shall be replaced with "Oklahoma net operating loss" and "Oklahoma taxable income". For tax years beginning after December 31, 2007, and ending before January 1, 2009, years to which such

losses may be carried back shall be limited to two (2) years. For tax years beginning after December 31, 2008, the years to which such losses may be carried back shall be determined solely by reference to Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 172, with the exception that the terms "net operating loss" and "taxable income" shall be replaced with "Oklahoma net operating loss" and "Oklahoma taxable income".

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- 4. Items of the following nature shall be allocated as indicated. Allowable deductions attributable to items separately allocable in subparagraphs a, b and c of this paragraph, whether or not such items of income were actually received, shall be allocated on the same basis as those items:
 - a. Income from real and tangible personal property, such as rents, oil and mining production or royalties, and gains or losses from sales of such property, shall be allocated in accordance with the situs of such property;
 - b. Income from intangible personal property, such as interest, dividends, patent or copyright royalties, and gains or losses from sales of such property, shall be allocated in accordance with the domiciliary situs of the taxpayer, except that:

(1) where such property has acquired a nonunitary business or commercial situs apart from the domicile of the taxpayer such income shall be allocated in accordance with such business or commercial situs; interest income from investments held to generate working capital for a unitary business enterprise shall be included in apportionable income; a resident trust or resident estate shall be treated as having a separate commercial or business situs insofar as undistributed income is concerned, but shall not be treated as having a separate commercial or business situs insofar as distributed income is concerned,

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(2) for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2003, capital or ordinary gains or losses from the sale of an ownership interest in a publicly traded partnership, as defined by Section 7704(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be allocated to this state in the ratio of the original cost of such partnership's tangible property in this state to the original cost of such partnership's tangible property everywhere, as determined at the time of the sale; if more than fifty percent

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(50%) of the value of the partnership's assets consists of intangible assets, capital or ordinary gains or losses from the sale of an ownership interest in the partnership shall be allocated to this state in accordance with the sales factor of the partnership for its first full tax period immediately preceding its tax period during which the ownership interest in the partnership was sold; the provisions of this division shall only apply if the capital or ordinary gains or losses from the sale of an ownership interest in a partnership do not constitute qualifying gain receiving capital treatment as defined in subparagraph a of paragraph 2 of subsection F of this section,

- (3) income from such property which is required to be allocated pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 5 of this subsection shall be allocated as herein provided;
- Net income or loss from a business activity which is not a part of business carried on within or without the state of a unitary character shall be separately allocated to the state in which such activity is conducted;

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d. In the case of a manufacturing or processing enterprise the business of which in Oklahoma consists solely of marketing its products by:

- (1) sales having a situs without this state, shipped directly to a point from without the state to a purchaser within the state, commonly known as interstate sales,
- (2) sales of the product stored in public warehouses within the state pursuant to "in transit" tariffs, as prescribed and allowed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, to a purchaser within the state,
- (3) sales of the product stored in public warehouses within the state where the shipment to such warehouses is not covered by "in transit" tariffs, as prescribed and allowed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, to a purchaser within or without the state,

the Oklahoma net income shall, at the option of the taxpayer, be that portion of the total net income of the taxpayer for federal income tax purposes derived from the manufacture and/or processing and sales everywhere as determined by the ratio of the sales defined in this section made to the purchaser within

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"public warehouse" as used in this subparagraph means a licensed public warehouse, the principal business of which is warehousing merchandise for the public;

- income shall be taxable income of the taxpayer for federal tax purposes, as adjusted for the adjustments provided pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection, apportioned as follows:
 - this subparagraph, taxable income of an insurance company for a taxable year shall be apportioned to this state by multiplying such income by a fraction, the numerator of which is the direct premiums written for insurance on property or risks in this state, and the denominator of which is the direct premiums written for insurance on property or risks everywhere. For purposes of this subsection, the term "direct premiums written" means the total amount of direct premiums written, assessments and annuity considerations as reported for the taxable year on the annual statement filed by the company with the Insurance Commissioner in the form approved

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if the principal source of premiums written by an (2) insurance company consists of premiums for reinsurance accepted by it, the taxable income of such company shall be apportioned to this state by multiplying such income by a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (a) direct premiums written for insurance on property or risks in this state, plus (b) premiums written for reinsurance accepted in respect of property or risks in this state, and the denominator of which is the sum of (c) direct premiums written for insurance on property or risks everywhere, plus (d) premiums written for reinsurance accepted in respect of property or risks everywhere. For purposes of this paragraph, premiums written for reinsurance accepted in respect of property or risks in this state, whether or not otherwise determinable, may at the election of the company be determined on the basis of the proportion which premiums written for insurance accepted from companies

commercially domiciled in Oklahoma bears to premiums written for reinsurance accepted from all sources, or alternatively in the proportion which the sum of the direct premiums written for insurance on property or risks in this state by each ceding company from which reinsurance is accepted bears to the sum of the total direct premiums written by each such ceding company for the taxable year.

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5. The net income or loss remaining after the separate allocation in paragraph 4 of this subsection, being that which is derived from a unitary business enterprise, shall be apportioned to this state on the basis of the arithmetical average of three factors consisting of property, payroll and sales or gross revenue enumerated as subparagraphs a, b and c of this paragraph. Net income or loss as used in this paragraph includes that derived from patent or copyright royalties, purchase discounts, and interest on accounts receivable relating to or arising from a business activity, the income from which is apportioned pursuant to this subsection, including the sale or other disposition of such property and any other property used in the unitary enterprise. Deductions used in computing such net income or loss shall not include taxes based on or measured by income. Provided, for corporations whose property for purposes of the tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title has an

initial investment cost equaling or exceeding Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00) and such investment is made on or after July 1, 1997, or for corporations which expand their property or facilities in this state and such expansion has an investment cost equaling or exceeding Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00) over a period not to exceed three (3) years, and such expansion is commenced on or after January 1, 2000, the three factors shall be apportioned with property and payroll, each comprising twenty-five percent (25%) of the apportionment factor and sales comprising fifty percent (50%) of the apportionment factor. The apportionment factors shall be computed as follows:

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- a. The property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in this state during the tax period and the denominator of which is the average value of all the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property everywhere owned or rented and used during the tax period.
 - (1) Property, the income from which is separately allocated in paragraph 4 of this subsection, shall not be included in determining this fraction. The numerator of the fraction shall include a portion of the investment in transportation and other equipment having no

fixed situs, such as rolling stock, buses, trucks and trailers, including machinery and equipment carried thereon, airplanes, salespersons' automobiles and other similar equipment, in the proportion that miles traveled in Oklahoma by such equipment bears to total miles traveled,

- (2) Property owned by the taxpayer is valued at its original cost. Property rented by the taxpayer is valued at eight times the net annual rental rate. Net annual rental rate is the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer, less any annual rental rate received by the taxpayer from subrentals,
- (3) The average value of property shall be determined by averaging the values at the beginning and ending of the tax period but the Oklahoma Tax

 Commission may require the averaging of monthly values during the tax period if reasonably required to reflect properly the average value of the taxpayer's property;
- b. The payroll factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total compensation for services rendered in the state during the tax period, and the denominator of which is the total compensation for

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services rendered everywhere during the tax period.

"Compensation", as used in this subsection means those paid-for services to the extent related to the unitary business but does not include officers' salaries, wages and other compensation.

- (1) In the case of a transportation enterprise, the numerator of the fraction shall include a portion of such expenditure in connection with employees operating equipment over a fixed route, such as railroad employees, airline pilots, or bus drivers, in this state only a part of the time, in the proportion that mileage traveled in Oklahoma bears to total mileage traveled by such employees,
- include a portion of such expenditures in connection with itinerant employees, such as traveling salespersons, in this state only a part of the time, in the proportion that time spent in Oklahoma bears to total time spent in furtherance of the enterprise by such employees;
- c. The sales factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total sales or gross revenue of the taxpayer in this state during the tax period, and the denominator

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of which is the total sales or gross revenue of the taxpayer everywhere during the tax period. "Sales", as used in this subsection does not include sales or gross revenue which are separately allocated in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

- in this state if the property is delivered or shipped to a purchaser other than the United States government, within this state regardless of the FOB point or other conditions of the sale; or the property is shipped from an office, store, warehouse, factory or other place of storage in this state and (a) the purchaser is the United States government or (b) the taxpayer is not doing business in the state of the destination of the shipment.
- (2) In the case of a railroad or interurban railway enterprise, the numerator of the fraction shall not be less than the allocation of revenues to this state as shown in its annual report to the Corporation Commission.
- (3) In the case of an airline, truck or bus enterprise or freight car, tank car, refrigerator car or other railroad equipment enterprise, the

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numerator of the fraction shall include a portion of revenue from interstate transportation in the proportion that interstate mileage traveled in Oklahoma bears to total interstate mileage traveled.

- (4) In the case of an oil, gasoline or gas pipeline enterprise, the numerator of the fraction shall be either the total of traffic units of the enterprise within Oklahoma or the revenue allocated to Oklahoma based upon miles moved, at the option of the taxpayer, and the denominator of which shall be the total of traffic units of the enterprise or the revenue of the enterprise everywhere as appropriate to the numerator. A "traffic unit" is hereby defined as the transportation for a distance of one (1) mile of one (1) barrel of oil, one (1) gallon of gasoline or one thousand (1,000) cubic feet of natural or casinghead gas, as the case may be.
- (5) In the case of a telephone or telegraph or other communication enterprise, the numerator of the fraction shall include that portion of the interstate revenue as is allocated pursuant to the accounting procedures prescribed by the

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Federal Communications Commission; provided that in respect to each corporation or business entity required by the Federal Communications Commission to keep its books and records in accordance with a uniform system of accounts prescribed by such Commission, the intrastate net income shall be determined separately in the manner provided by such uniform system of accounts and only the interstate income shall be subject to allocation pursuant to the provisions of this subsection.

Provided further, that the gross revenue factors shall be those as are determined pursuant to the accounting procedures prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission.

In any case where the apportionment of the three factors prescribed in this paragraph attributes to Oklahoma a portion of net income of the enterprise out of all appropriate proportion to the property owned and/or business transacted within this state, because of the fact that one or more of the factors so prescribed are not employed to any appreciable extent in furtherance of the enterprise; or because one or more factors not so prescribed are employed to a considerable extent in furtherance of the enterprise; or because of other reasons, the Tax Commission is empowered to permit, after a showing by taxpayer that an excessive portion of net income has been

attributed to Oklahoma, or require, when in its judgment an insufficient portion of net income has been attributed to Oklahoma, the elimination, substitution, or use of additional factors, or reduction or increase in the weight of such prescribed factors. Provided, however, that any such variance from such prescribed factors which has the effect of increasing the portion of net income attributable to Oklahoma must not be inherently arbitrary, and application of the recomputed final apportionment to the net income of the enterprise must attribute to Oklahoma only a reasonable portion thereof.

expanded agricultural commodity processing facility in this state may exclude from Oklahoma taxable income, or in the case of an individual, the Oklahoma adjusted gross income, fifteen percent (15%) of the investment by the owner in the new or expanded agricultural commodity processing facility. For calendar year 1999, and all subsequent years, the percentage, not to exceed fifteen percent (15%), available to the owner of a new or expanded agricultural commodity processing facility in this state claiming the exemption shall be adjusted annually so that the total estimated reduction in tax liability does not exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) annually. The Tax Commission shall promulgate rules for determining the percentage of the investment which each eligible taxpayer may exclude. The exclusion provided by this paragraph

shall be taken in the taxable year when the investment is made. In the event the total reduction in tax liability authorized by this paragraph exceeds One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in any calendar year, the Tax Commission shall permit any excess over One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and shall factor such excess into the percentage for subsequent years. Any amount of the exemption permitted to be excluded pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph but not used in any year may be carried forward as an exemption from income pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph for a period not exceeding six (6) years following the year in which the investment was originally made.

For purposes of this paragraph:

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a. "Agricultural commodity processing facility" means building, structures, fixtures and improvements used or operated primarily for the processing or production of marketable products from agricultural commodities.

The term shall also mean a dairy operation that requires a depreciable investment of at least Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) and which produces milk from dairy cows. The term does not include a facility that provides only, and nothing more than, storage, cleaning, drying or transportation of agricultural commodities, and

b. "Facility" means each part of the facility which is used in a process primarily for:

- (1) the processing of agricultural commodities, including receiving or storing agricultural commodities, or the production of milk at a dairy operation,
- (2) transporting the agricultural commodities or product before, during or after the processing, or
- (3) packaging or otherwise preparing the product for sale or shipment.
- 7. Despite any provision to the contrary in paragraph 3 of this subsection, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999, in the case of a taxpayer which has a farming loss, such farming loss shall be considered a net operating loss carryback in accordance with and to the extent of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 172(b)(G). However, the amount of the net operating loss carryback shall not exceed the lesser of:
 - a. Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00), or
 - b. the loss properly shown on Schedule F of the Internal Revenue Service Form 1040 reduced by one-half (1/2) of the income from all other sources other than reflected on Schedule F.

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8. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995, all qualified wages equal to the federal income tax credit set forth in 26 U.S.C.A., Section 45A, shall be deducted from taxable income. The deduction allowed pursuant to this paragraph shall only be permitted for the tax years in which the federal tax credit pursuant to 26 U.S.C.A., Section 45A, is allowed. For purposes of this paragraph, "qualified wages" means those wages used to calculate the federal credit pursuant to 26 U.S.C.A., Section 45A.

- 9. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005, an employer that is eligible for and utilizes the Safety Pays OSHA Consultation Service provided by the Oklahoma Department of Labor shall receive an exemption from taxable income in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the tax year that the service is utilized.
- 10. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, there shall be added to Oklahoma taxable income an amount equal to the amount of deferred income not included in such taxable income pursuant to Section 108(i)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended by Section 1231 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. No. 111-5). There shall be subtracted from Oklahoma taxable income an amount equal to the amount of deferred income included in such taxable income pursuant to Section 108(i)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code by Section 1231 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. No. 111-5).

11. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2019, there shall be subtracted from Oklahoma taxable income or adjusted gross income any item of income or gain, and there shall be added to Oklahoma taxable income or adjusted gross income any item of loss or deduction that in the absence of an election pursuant to the provisions of the Pass-Through Entity Tax Equity Act of 2019 would be allocated to a member or to an indirect member of an electing pass-through entity pursuant to Section 2351 et seq. of this title, if (i) the electing pass-through entity has accounted for such item in computing its Oklahoma net entity income or loss pursuant to the provisions of the Pass-Through Entity Tax Equity Act of 2019, and (ii) the total amount of tax attributable to any resulting Oklahoma net entity income has been paid. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall promulgate rules for the reporting of such exclusion to direct and indirect members of the electing pass-through entity. As used in this paragraph, "electing pass-through entity", "indirect member", and "member" shall be defined in the same manner as prescribed by Section 2355.1P-2 of this title. Notwithstanding the application of this paragraph, the adjusted tax basis of any ownership interest in a pass-through entity for purposes of Section 2351 et seq. of this title shall be equal to its adjusted tax basis for federal income tax purposes.

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B. 1. The taxable income of any corporation shall be further adjusted to arrive at Oklahoma taxable income, except those

1 corporations electing treatment as provided in subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 1361 et seq., and Section 2365 of this title, deductions pursuant to the provisions of the 3 Accelerated Cost Recovery System as defined and allowed in the 5 Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, Public Law 97-34, 26 U.S.C., Section 168, for depreciation of assets placed into service after 6 7 December 31, 1981, shall not be allowed in calculating Oklahoma taxable income. Such corporations shall be allowed a deduction for 8 depreciation of assets placed into service after December 31, 1981, 10 in accordance with provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 1 et seq., in effect immediately prior to the 11 12 enactment of the Accelerated Cost Recovery System. The Oklahoma tax 13 basis for all such assets placed into service after December 31, 14 1981, calculated in this section shall be retained and utilized for 15 all Oklahoma income tax purposes through the final disposition of 16 such assets.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Oklahoma Income Tax Act, Section 2351 et seq. of this title, or of the Internal Revenue Code to the contrary, this subsection shall control calculation of depreciation of assets placed into service after December 31, 1981, and before January 1, 1983.

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For assets placed in service and held by a corporation in which accelerated cost recovery system was previously disallowed, an adjustment to taxable income is required in the first taxable year

beginning after December 31, 1982, to reconcile the basis of such assets to the basis allowed in the Internal Revenue Code. The purpose of this adjustment is to equalize the basis and allowance for depreciation accounts between that reported to the Internal Revenue Service and that reported to Oklahoma.

- 2. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and ending on or before December 31, 2009, there shall be added to Oklahoma taxable income any amount in excess of One Hundred Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) which has been deducted as a small business expense under Internal Revenue Code, Section 179 as provided in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.
- C. 1. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1987, the taxable income of any corporation shall be further adjusted to arrive at Oklahoma taxable income for transfers of technology to qualified small businesses located in Oklahoma. Such transferor corporation shall be allowed an exemption from taxable income of an amount equal to the amount of royalty payment received as a result of such transfer; provided, however, such amount shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the amount of gross proceeds received by such transferor corporation as a result of the technology transfer. Such exemption shall be allowed for a period not to exceed ten (10) years from the date of receipt of the first royalty payment accruing from such transfer. No exemption may be claimed for transfers of

technology to qualified small businesses made prior to January 1, 1 2 1988.

- For purposes of this subsection:
 - "Qualified small business" means an entity, whether a. organized as a corporation, partnership, or proprietorship, organized for profit with its principal place of business located within this state and which meets the following criteria:
 - (1)Capitalization of not more than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00),
 - Having at least fifty percent (50%) of its (2) employees and assets located in Oklahoma at the time of the transfer, and
 - (3) Not a subsidiary or affiliate of the transferor corporation;
 - "Technology" means a proprietary process, formula, b. pattern, device or compilation of scientific or technical information which is not in the public domain;
 - "Transferor corporation" means a corporation which is C. the exclusive and undisputed owner of the technology at the time the transfer is made; and

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- d. "Gross proceeds" means the total amount of consideration for the transfer of technology, whether the consideration is in money or otherwise.
- D. 1. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005, the taxable income of any corporation, estate or trust, shall be further adjusted for qualifying gains receiving capital treatment. Such corporations, estates or trusts shall be allowed a deduction from Oklahoma taxable income for the amount of qualifying gains receiving capital treatment earned by the corporation, estate or trust during the taxable year and included in the federal taxable income of such corporation, estate or trust.
 - 2. As used in this subsection:

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- a. "qualifying gains receiving capital treatment" means the amount of net capital gains, as defined in Section 1222(11) of the Internal Revenue Code, included in the federal income tax return of the corporation, estate or trust that result from:
 - the sale of real property or tangible personal property located within Oklahoma that has been directly or indirectly owned by the corporation, estate or trust for a holding period of at least five (5) years prior to the date of the transaction from which such net capital gains arise,

(2) the sale of stock or on the sale of an ownership interest in an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, or partnership where such stock or ownership interest has been directly or indirectly owned by the corporation, estate or trust for a holding period of at least three (3) years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise, or

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- property or intangible personal property located within Oklahoma as part of the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, or partnership where such property has been directly or indirectly owned by such entity owned by the owners of such entity, and used in or derived from such entity for a period of at least three (3) years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise,
- b. "holding period" means an uninterrupted period of time. The holding period shall include any additional period when the property was held by another individual or entity, if such additional period is

included in the taxpayer's holding period for the asset pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code,

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- "Oklahoma company", "limited liability company", or "partnership" means an entity whose primary headquarters have been located in Oklahoma for at least three (3) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise,
- d. "direct" means the taxpayer directly owns the asset, and
- e. "indirect" means the taxpayer owns an interest in a pass-through entity (or chain of pass-through entities) that sells the asset that gives rise to the qualifying gains receiving capital treatment.
 - tangible personal property located within

 Oklahoma, the deduction described in this

 subsection shall not apply unless the pass
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 property for not less than five (5) uninterrupted

 years prior to the date of the transaction that

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- (2) With respect to sales of stock or ownership interest in or sales of all or substantially all of the assets of an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, or partnership, the deduction described in this subsection shall not apply unless the pass-through entity that makes the sale has held the stock or ownership interest or the assets for not less than three (3) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction that created the capital gain, and each pass-through entity included in the chain of ownership has been a member, partner or shareholder of the pass-through entity in the tier immediately below it for an uninterrupted period of not less than three (3) years.
- E. The Oklahoma adjusted gross income of any individual taxpayer shall be further adjusted as follows to arrive at Oklahoma taxable income:
 - a. In the case of individuals, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow personal exemptions of One Thousand Dollars

1 (\$1,000.00) in lieu of the personal exemptions allowed
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- b. There shall be allowed an additional exemption of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each taxpayer or spouse who is blind at the close of the tax year. For purposes of this subparagraph, an individual is blind only if the central visual acuity of the individual does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with correcting lenses, or if the visual acuity of the individual is greater than 20/200, but is accompanied by a limitation in the fields of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than twenty (20) degrees.
- There shall be allowed an additional exemption of One
 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each taxpayer or
 spouse who is sixty-five (65) years of age or older at
 the close of the tax year based upon the filing status
 and federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer.

 Taxpayers with the following filing status may claim
 this exemption if the federal adjusted gross income
 does not exceed:
 - (1) Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) if married and filing jointly;

1 (2) Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00)
2 if married and filing separately;
3 (3) Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) if single;

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- (4) Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000.00) if a qualifying head of household.

Provided, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999, amounts included in the calculation of federal adjusted gross income pursuant to the conversion of a traditional individual retirement account to a Roth individual retirement account shall be excluded from federal adjusted gross income for purposes of the income thresholds provided in this subparagraph.

2. a. For taxable years beginning on or before December 31, 2005, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard deduction in lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, in an amount equal to the larger of fifteen percent (15%) of the Oklahoma adjusted gross income or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), but not to exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), except that

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in the case of a married individual filing a separate return such deduction shall be the larger of fifteen percent (15%) of such Oklahoma adjusted gross income or Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), but not to exceed the maximum amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

- b. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2006, and before January 1, 2007, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard deduction in lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, in an amount equal to:
 - (1) Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), if the filing status is married filing joint, head of household or qualifying widow; or
 - (2) Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), if the filing status is single or married filing separate.
- c. For the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2007, and ending December 31, 2007, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard

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deduction in lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, in an amount equal to:

- (1) Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00), if the filing status is married filing joint or qualifying widow; or
- (2) Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$4,125.00) for a head of household; or
- (3) Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,750.00), if the filing status is single or married filing separate.
- d. For the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending December 31, 2008, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard deduction in lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, in an amount equal to:
 - (1) Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00), if the filing status is married filing joint or qualifying widow, or
 - (2) Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$4,875.00) for a head of household, or

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- (3) Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,250.00), if the filing status is single or married filing separate.
- e. For the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2009, and ending December 31, 2009, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard deduction in lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, in an amount equal to:
 - (1) Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00), if the filing status is married filing joint or qualifying widow, or
 - (2) Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$6,375.00) for a head of household, or
 - (3) Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$4,250.00), if the filing status is single or married filing separate.

Oklahoma adjusted gross income shall be increased by any amounts paid for motor vehicle excise taxes which were deducted as allowed by the Internal Revenue Code.

f. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, and ending on December 31, 2016, in the case of individuals who use the standard deduction in

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determining taxable income, there shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, the difference necessary to allow a standard deduction equal to the standard deduction allowed by the Internal Revenue Code, based upon the amount and filing status prescribed by such Code for purposes of filing federal individual income tax returns.

- g. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1,
 2017, in the case of individuals who use the standard
 deduction in determining taxable income, there shall
 be added or deducted, as the case may be, the
 difference necessary to allow a standard deduction in
 lieu of the standard deduction allowed by the Internal
 Revenue Code, as follows:
 - (1) Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$6,350.00) for single or married filing separately,
 - (2) Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$12,700.00) for married filing jointly or qualifying widower with dependent child, and
 - (3) Nine Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$9,350.00) for head of household.
- 3. a. In the case of resident and part-year resident individuals having adjusted gross income from sources

standard deductions and personal exemptions shall be reduced to an amount which is the same portion of the total thereof as Oklahoma adjusted gross income is of adjusted gross income. To the extent itemized deductions include allowable moving expense, proration of moving expense shall not be required or permitted but allowable moving expense shall be fully deductible for those taxpayers moving within or into Oklahoma and no part of moving expense shall be deductible for those taxpayers moving without or out of Oklahoma. All other itemized or standard deductions and personal exemptions shall be subject to proration as provided by law.

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b. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, the net amount of itemized deductions allowable on an Oklahoma income tax return, subject to the provisions of paragraph 24 of this subsection, shall not exceed Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00). For purposes of this subparagraph, charitable contributions and medical expenses deductible for federal income tax purposes shall be excluded from the amount of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00) as specified by this subparagraph.

4. A resident individual with a physical disability constituting a substantial handicap impediment to employment may deduct from Oklahoma adjusted gross income such expenditures to modify a motor vehicle, home or workplace as are necessary to compensate for his or her handicap disability. A veteran certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs of the federal government as having a service-connected disability shall be conclusively presumed to be an individual with a physical disability constituting a substantial handicap impediment to employment. The Tax Commission shall promulgate rules containing a list of combinations of common disabilities and modifications which may be presumed to qualify for this deduction. The Tax Commission shall prescribe necessary requirements for verification.

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- 5. a. Before July 1, 2010, the first One Thousand Five

 Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) received by any person

 from the United States as salary or compensation in

 any form, other than retirement benefits, as a member

 of any component of the Armed Forces of the United

 States shall be deducted from taxable income.
 - b. On or after July 1, 2010, one hundred percent (100%) of the income received by any person from the United States as salary or compensation in any form, other than retirement benefits, as a member of any component

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of the Armed Forces of the United States shall be deducted from taxable income.

- c. Whenever the filing of a timely income tax return by a member of the Armed Forces of the United States is made impracticable or impossible of accomplishment by reason of:
 - (1) absence from the United States, which term includes only the states and the District of Columbia;
 - (2) absence from the State of Oklahoma while on active duty; or
 - (3) confinement in a hospital within the United

 States for treatment of wounds, injuries or

 disease,

the time for filing a return and paying an income tax shall be and is hereby extended without incurring liability for interest or penalties, to the fifteenth day of the third month following the month in which:

Such individual shall return to the United

States if the extension is granted pursuant
to subparagraph a of this paragraph, return
to the State of Oklahoma if the extension is
granted pursuant to subparagraph b of this
paragraph or be discharged from such

1 hospital if the extension is granted pursuant to subparagraph c of this paragraph; or

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An executor, administrator, or conservator (b) of the estate of the taxpayer is appointed, whichever event occurs the earliest.

Provided, that the Tax Commission may, in its discretion, grant any member of the Armed Forces of the United States an extension of time for filing of income tax returns and payment of income tax without incurring liabilities for interest or penalties. extension may be granted only when in the judgment of the Tax Commission a good cause exists therefor and may be for a period in excess of six (6) months. A record of every such extension granted, and the reason therefor, shall be kept.

- 6. Before July 1, 2010, the salary or any other form of compensation, received from the United States by a member of any component of the Armed Forces of the United States, shall be deducted from taxable income during the time in which the person is detained by the enemy in a conflict, is a prisoner of war or is missing in action and not deceased; provided, after July 1, 2010, all such salary or compensation shall be subject to the deduction as provided pursuant to paragraph 5 of this subsection.
 - 7. An individual taxpayer, whether resident or nonresident, may deduct an amount equal to the federal

income taxes paid by the taxpayer during the taxable year.

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- b. Federal taxes as described in subparagraph a of this paragraph shall be deductible by any individual taxpayer, whether resident or nonresident, only to the extent they relate to income subject to taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Income Tax Act. The maximum amount allowable in the preceding paragraph shall be prorated on the ratio of the Oklahoma adjusted gross income to federal adjusted gross income.
- c. For the purpose of this paragraph, "federal income taxes paid" shall mean federal income taxes, surtaxes imposed on incomes or excess profits taxes, as though the taxpayer was on the accrual basis. In determining the amount of deduction for federal income taxes for tax year 2001, the amount of the deduction shall not be adjusted by the amount of any accelerated ten percent (10%) tax rate bracket credit or advanced refund of the credit received during the tax year provided pursuant to the federal Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001, P.L. No. 107-16, and the advanced refund of such credit shall not be subject to taxation.

d. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to all taxable years ending after December 31, 1978, and beginning before January 1, 2006.

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- Retirement benefits not to exceed Five Thousand Five Hundred 8. Dollars (\$5,500.00) for the 2004 tax year, Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the 2005 tax year and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the 2006 tax year and all subsequent tax years, which are received by an individual from the civil service of the United States, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System, the Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Police Pension and Retirement System, the employee retirement systems created by counties pursuant to Section 951 et seq. of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges, the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Department Retirement Fund, the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission Retirement Plan, or the employee retirement systems created by municipalities pursuant to Section 48-101 et seq. of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be exempt from taxable income.
 - 9. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 1984, Social Security benefits received by an individual shall be exempt from taxable income, to the extent such benefits are included in the

federal adjusted gross income pursuant to the provisions of Section 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 86.

- 10. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1994, lumpsum distributions from employer plans of deferred compensation,
 which are not qualified plans within the meaning of Section 401(a)
 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 401(a), and which
 are deposited in and accounted for within a separate bank account or
 brokerage account in a financial institution within this state,
 shall be excluded from taxable income in the same manner as a
 qualifying rollover contribution to an individual retirement account
 within the meaning of Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26
 U.S.C., Section 408. Amounts withdrawn from such bank or brokerage
 account, including any earnings thereon, shall be included in
 taxable income when withdrawn in the same manner as withdrawals from
 individual retirement accounts within the meaning of Section 408 of
 the Internal Revenue Code.
 - 11. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995, contributions made to and interest received from a medical savings account established pursuant to Sections 2621 through 2623 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be exempt from taxable income.
 - 12. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1996, the Oklahoma adjusted gross income of any individual taxpayer who is a swine or poultry producer may be further adjusted for the deduction for depreciation allowed for new construction or expansion costs

which may be computed using the same depreciation method elected for federal income tax purposes except that the useful life shall be seven (7) years for purposes of this paragraph. If depreciation is allowed as a deduction in determining the adjusted gross income of an individual, any depreciation calculated and claimed pursuant to this section shall in no event be a duplication of any depreciation allowed or permitted on the federal income tax return of the individual.

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- 13. a. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2002, nonrecurring adoption expenses paid by a resident individual taxpayer in connection with:
 - (1) the adoption of a minor, or
 - (2) a proposed adoption of a minor which did not result in a decreed adoption,

may be deducted from the Oklahoma adjusted gross income.

- b. The deductions for adoptions and proposed adoptions authorized by this paragraph shall not exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) per calendar year.
- c. The Tax Commission shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this paragraph which shall contain a specific list of nonrecurring adoption expenses which may be presumed to qualify for the deduction. The Tax

Commission shall prescribe necessary requirements for verification.

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- d. "Nonrecurring adoption expenses" means adoption fees, court costs, medical expenses, attorney fees and expenses which are directly related to the legal process of adoption of a child including, but not limited to, costs relating to the adoption study, health and psychological examinations, transportation and reasonable costs of lodging and food for the child or adoptive parents which are incurred to complete the adoption process and are not reimbursed by other sources. The term "nonrecurring adoption expenses" shall not include attorney fees incurred for the purpose of litigating a contested adoption, from and after the point of the initiation of the contest, costs associated with physical remodeling, renovation and alteration of the adoptive parents' home or property, except for a special needs child as authorized by the court.
- 14. a. In taxable years beginning before January 1, 2005, retirement benefits not to exceed the amounts specified in this paragraph, which are received by an individual sixty-five (65) years of age or older and whose Oklahoma adjusted gross income is Twenty-five

Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or less if the filing status is single, head of household, or married filing separate, or Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) or less if the filing status is married filing joint or qualifying widow, shall be exempt from taxable income. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, retirement benefits not to exceed the amounts specified in this paragraph, which are received by an individual whose Oklahoma adjusted gross income is less than the qualifying amount specified in this paragraph, shall be exempt from taxable income.

- b. For purposes of this paragraph, the qualifying amount shall be as follows:
 - (1) in taxable years beginning after December 31,
 2004, and prior to January 1, 2007, the
 qualifying amount shall be Thirty-seven Thousand
 Five Hundred Dollars (\$37,500.00) or less if the
 filing status is single, head of household, or
 married filing separate, or Seventy-five Thousand
 Dollars (\$75,000.00) or less if the filing status
 is married filing jointly or qualifying widow,
 - (2) in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2007, the qualifying amount shall be Fifty Thousand

 Dollars (\$50,000.00) or less if the filing status

is single, head of household, or married filing separate, or One Hundred Thousand Dollars

(\$100,000.00) or less if the filing status is married filing jointly or qualifying widow,

- in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2008, the qualifying amount shall be Sixty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$62,500.00) or less if the filing status is single, head of household, or married filing separate, or One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) or less if the filing status is married filing jointly or qualifying widow,
- (4) in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2009, the qualifying amount shall be One Hundred

 Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) or less if the filing status is single, head of household, or married filing separate, or Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) or less if the filing status is married filing jointly or qualifying widow, and
- (5) in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2010, and subsequent taxable years, there shall be no limitation upon the qualifying amount.

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- c. For purposes of this paragraph, "retirement benefits" means the total distributions or withdrawals from the following:
 - (1) an employee pension benefit plan which satisfies the requirements of Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 401,
 - (2) an eligible deferred compensation plan that satisfies the requirements of Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 457,
 - (3) an individual retirement account, annuity or trust or simplified employee pension that satisfies the requirements of Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 408,
 - (4) an employee annuity subject to the provisions of Section 403(a) or (b) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 403(a) or (b),
 - (5) United States Retirement Bonds which satisfy the requirements of Section 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 86, or
 - (6) lump-sum distributions from a retirement plan which satisfies the requirements of Section 402(e) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 402(e).

d. The amount of the exemption provided by this paragraph shall be limited to Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) for the 2004 tax year, Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the 2005 tax year and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the tax year 2006 and for all subsequent tax years. Any individual who claims the exemption provided for in paragraph 8 of this subsection shall not be permitted to claim a combined total exemption pursuant to this paragraph and paragraph 8 of this subsection in an amount exceeding Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) for the 2004 tax year, Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the 2005 tax year and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the 2006 tax year and all subsequent tax years.

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15. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999, for an individual engaged in production agriculture who has filed a Schedule F form with the taxpayer's federal income tax return for such taxable year, there shall be excluded from taxable income any amount which was included as federal taxable income or federal adjusted gross income and which consists of the discharge of an obligation by a creditor of the taxpayer incurred to finance the production of agricultural products.

16. In taxable years beginning December 31, 2000, an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of any scholarship or stipend received from participation in the Oklahoma Police Corps Program, as established in Section 2-140.3 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be exempt from taxable income.

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- 17. a. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2001, and before January 1, 2005, there shall be allowed a deduction in the amount of contributions to accounts established pursuant to the Oklahoma College Savings Plan Act. The deduction shall equal the amount of contributions to accounts, but in no event shall the deduction for each contributor exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) each taxable year for each account.
 - b. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, each taxpayer shall be allowed a deduction for contributions to accounts established pursuant to the Oklahoma College Savings Plan Act. The maximum annual deduction shall equal the amount of contributions to all such accounts plus any contributions to such accounts by the taxpayer for prior taxable years after December 31, 2004, which were not deducted, but in no event shall the deduction for each tax year exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for each individual

taxpayer or Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for taxpayers filing a joint return. Any amount of a contribution that is not deducted by the taxpayer in the year for which the contribution is made may be carried forward as a deduction from income for the succeeding five (5) years. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005, deductions may be taken for contributions and rollovers made during a taxable year and up to April 15 of the succeeding year, or the due date of a taxpayer's state income tax return, excluding extensions, whichever is later.

Provided, a deduction for the same contribution may not be taken for two (2) different taxable years.

- c. In taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006, deductions for contributions made pursuant to subparagraph b of this paragraph shall be limited as follows:
 - (1) for a taxpayer who qualified for the five-year carryforward election and who takes a rollover or nonqualified withdrawal during that period, the tax deduction otherwise available pursuant to subparagraph b of this paragraph shall be reduced by the amount which is equal to the rollover or nonqualified withdrawal, and

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- (2) for a taxpayer who elects to take a rollover or nonqualified withdrawal within the same tax year in which a contribution was made to the taxpayer's account, the tax deduction otherwise available pursuant to subparagraph b of this paragraph shall be reduced by the amount of the contribution which is equal to the rollover or nonqualified withdrawal.
- d. If a taxpayer elects to take a rollover on a contribution for which a deduction has been taken pursuant to subparagraph b of this paragraph within one (1) year of the date of contribution, the amount of such rollover shall be included in the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer in the taxable year of the rollover.
- e. If a taxpayer makes a nonqualified withdrawal of contributions for which a deduction was taken pursuant to subparagraph b of this paragraph, such nonqualified withdrawal and any earnings thereon shall be included in the adjusted gross income of the taxpayer in the taxable year of the nonqualified withdrawal.
- f. As used in this paragraph:

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- (1) "non-qualified withdrawal" means a withdrawal
 from an Oklahoma College Savings Plan account
 other than one of the following:
 - (a) a qualified withdrawal,
 - (b) a withdrawal made as a result of the death or disability of the designated beneficiary of an account,
 - a scholarship or the allowance or payment described in Section 135(d)(1)(B) or (C) or by the Internal Revenue Code, received by the designated beneficiary to the extent the amount of the refund does not exceed the amount of the scholarship, allowance, or payment, or
 - (d) a rollover or change of designated beneficiary as permitted by subsection F of Section 3970.7 of Title 70 of Oklahoma Statutes, and
- (2) "rollover" means the transfer of funds from the Oklahoma College Savings Plan to any other plan under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 18. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005, retirement benefits received by an individual from any component of

the Armed Forces of the United States in an amount not to exceed the greater of seventy-five percent (75%) of such benefits or Ten

Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) shall be exempt from taxable income but in no case less than the amount of the exemption provided by paragraph 14 of this subsection.

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- 19. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006, retirement benefits received by federal civil service retirees, including survivor annuities, paid in lieu of Social Security benefits shall be exempt from taxable income to the extent such benefits are included in the federal adjusted gross income pursuant to the provisions of Section 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 86, according to the following schedule:
 - a. in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2007, twenty percent (20%) of such benefits shall be exempt,
 - b. in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2008, forty percent (40%) of such benefits shall be exempt,
 - c. in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2009, sixty percent (60%) of such benefits shall be exempt,
 - d. in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2010, eighty percent (80%) of such benefits shall be exempt, and
 - e. in the taxable year beginning January 1, 2011, and subsequent taxable years, one hundred percent (100%) of such benefits shall be exempt.

20. a. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2007, a resident individual may deduct up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from Oklahoma adjusted gross income if the individual, or the dependent of the individual, while living, donates one or more human organs of the individual to another human being for human organ transplantation. As used in this paragraph, "human organ" means all or part of a liver, pancreas, kidney, intestine, lung, or bone marrow. A deduction that is claimed under this paragraph may be claimed in the taxable year in which the human organ transplantation occurs.

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- b. An individual may claim this deduction only once, and the deduction may be claimed only for unreimbursed expenses that are incurred by the individual and related to the organ donation of the individual.
- c. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this paragraph which shall contain a specific list of expenses which may be presumed to qualify for the deduction. The Tax Commission shall prescribe necessary requirements for verification.
- 21. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2009, there shall be exempt from taxable income any amount received by the

beneficiary of the death benefit for an emergency medical technician or a registered emergency medical responder provided by Section 1-3 2505.1 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- 22. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, taxable income shall be increased by any unemployment compensation exempted under Section 85(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 85(c) (2009).
- 23. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, there shall be exempt from taxable income any payment in an amount less than Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) received by a person as an award for participation in a competitive livestock show event. For purposes of this paragraph, the payment shall be treated as a scholarship amount paid by the entity sponsoring the event and the sponsoring entity shall cause the payment to be categorized as a scholarship in its books and records.
- 24. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, taxable income shall be increased by any amount of state and local sales or income taxes deducted under 26 U.S.C., Section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code. If the amount of state and local taxes deducted on the federal return is limited, taxable income on the state return shall be increased only by the amount actually deducted after any such limitations are applied.
- 25. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020, each taxpayer shall be allowed a deduction for contributions to accounts

established pursuant to the Achieving a Better Life Experience

(ABLE) Program as established in Section 4001.1 et seq. of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes. For any tax year, the deduction provided for in this paragraph shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars

(\$10,000.00) for an individual taxpayer or Twenty Thousand Dollars

(\$20,000.00) for taxpayers filing a joint return. Any amount of contribution not deducted by the taxpayer in the tax year for which the contribution is made may be carried forward as a deduction from income for up to five (5) tax years. Deductions may be taken for contributions made during the tax year and through April 15 of the succeeding tax year, or through the due date of a taxpayer's state income tax return excluding extensions, whichever is later.

Provided, a deduction for the same contribution may not be taken in more than one (1) tax year.

- F. 1. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, a deduction from the Oklahoma adjusted gross income of any individual taxpayer shall be allowed for qualifying gains receiving capital treatment that are included in the federal adjusted gross income of such individual taxpayer during the taxable year.
 - 2. As used in this subsection:

a. "qualifying gains receiving capital treatment" means the amount of net capital gains, as defined in Section 1222(11) of the Internal Revenue Code, included in an

1 individual taxpayer's federal income tax return that 2 result from: 3 the sale of real property or tangible personal (1)property located within Oklahoma that has been 5 directly or indirectly owned by the individual 7 8 9

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- taxpayer for a holding period of at least five (5) years prior to the date of the transaction from which such net capital gains arise, the sale of stock or the sale of a direct or (2) indirect ownership interest in an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, or
 - partnership where such stock or ownership interest has been directly or indirectly owned by the individual taxpayer for a holding period of at least two (2) years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise, or
- the sale of real property, tangible personal (3) property or intangible personal property located within Oklahoma as part of the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, or partnership or an Oklahoma proprietorship business enterprise where such property has been

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directly or indirectly owned by such entity or business enterprise or owned by the owners of such entity or business enterprise for a period of at least two (2) years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise,

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b. "holding period" means an uninterrupted period of time. The holding period shall include any additional period when the property was held by another individual or entity, if such additional period is included in the taxpayer's holding period for the asset pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code,

- c. "Oklahoma company," "limited liability company," or "partnership" means an entity whose primary headquarters have been located in Oklahoma for at least three (3) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise,
- d. "direct" means the individual taxpayer directly owns the asset,
- e. "indirect" means the individual taxpayer owns an interest in a pass-through entity (or chain of pass-through entities) that sells the asset that gives rise to the qualifying gains receiving capital treatment.

(1) With respect to sales of real property or tangible personal property located within Oklahoma, the deduction described in this subsection shall not apply unless the pass—through entity that makes the sale has held the property for not less than five (5) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction that created the capital gain, and each pass—through entity included in the chain of ownership has been a member, partner, or shareholder of the pass—through entity in the tier immediately below it for an uninterrupted period of not less than five (5) years.

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interest in or sales of all or substantially all of the assets of an Oklahoma company, limited liability company, partnership or Oklahoma proprietorship business enterprise, the deduction described in this subsection shall not apply unless the pass-through entity that makes the sale has held the stock or ownership interest for not less than two (2) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction that created the capital gain, and each pass-through entity

included in the chain of ownership has been a member, partner or shareholder of the pass—through entity in the tier immediately below it for an uninterrupted period of not less than two (2) years. For purposes of this division, uninterrupted ownership prior to July 1, 2007, shall be included in the determination of the required holding period prescribed by this division, and

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- f. "Oklahoma proprietorship business enterprise" means a business enterprise whose income and expenses have been reported on Schedule C or F of an individual taxpayer's federal income tax return, or any similar successor schedule published by the Internal Revenue Service and whose primary headquarters have been located in Oklahoma for at least three (3) uninterrupted years prior to the date of the transaction from which the net capital gains arise.
- G. 1. For purposes of computing its Oklahoma taxable income under this section, the dividends-paid deduction otherwise allowed by federal law in computing net income of a real estate investment trust that is subject to federal income tax shall be added back in computing the tax imposed by this state under this title if the real estate investment trust is a captive real estate investment trust.

2. For purposes of computing its Oklahoma taxable income under this section, a taxpayer shall add back otherwise deductible rents and interest expenses paid to a captive real estate investment trust that is not subject to the provisions of paragraph 1 of this subsection. As used in this subsection:

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- a. the term "real estate investment trust" or "REIT" means the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 856 of the Internal Revenue Code,
- b. the term "captive real estate investment trust" means a real estate investment trust, the shares or beneficial interests of which are not regularly traded on an established securities market and more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting power or value of the beneficial interests or shares of which are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, or constructively, by a single entity that is:
 - (1) treated as an association taxable as a corporation under the Internal Revenue Code, and
 - (2) not exempt from federal income tax pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The term shall not include a real estate investment trust that is intended to be regularly traded on an established securities market, and that satisfies the

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requirements of Section 856(a)(5) and (6) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code by reason of Section 856(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code,

- c. the term "association taxable as a corporation" shall not include the following entities:
 - (1) any real estate investment trust as defined in paragraph a of this subsection other than a "captive real estate investment trust", or
 - (2) any qualified real estate investment trust subsidiary under Section 856(i) of the Internal Revenue Code, other than a qualified REIT subsidiary of a "captive real estate investment trust", or
 - Australian unit trust registered as a "Managed Investment Scheme" under the Australian Corporations Act in which the principal class of units is listed on a recognized stock exchange in Australia and is regularly traded on an established securities market), or an entity organized as a trust, provided that a Listed Australian Property Trust owns or controls, directly or indirectly, seventy-five percent

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(75%) or more of the voting power or value of the beneficial interests or shares of such trust, or

- (4) any Qualified Foreign Entity, meaning a corporation, trust, association or partnership organized outside the laws of the United States and which satisfies the following criteria:
 - (a) at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the entity's total asset value at the close of its taxable year is represented by real estate assets, as defined in Section 856(c)(5)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, thereby including shares or certificates of beneficial interest in any real estate investment trust, cash and cash equivalents, and U.S. Government securities,
 - (b) the entity receives a dividend-paid deduction comparable to Section 561 of the Internal Revenue Code, or is exempt from entity level tax,
 - (c) the entity is required to distribute at least eighty-five percent (85%) of its taxable income, as computed in the jurisdiction in which it is organized, to

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the holders of its shares or certificates of beneficial interest on an annual basis,

- (d) not more than ten percent (10%) of the
 voting power or value in such entity is held
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 a single entity or individual, or the shares
 or beneficial interests of such entity are
 regularly traded on an established
 securities market, and
- (e) the entity is organized in a country which has a tax treaty with the United States.
- 3. For purposes of this subsection, the constructive ownership rules of Section 318(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall apply in determining the ownership of stock, assets, or net profits of any person.
- 4. A real estate investment trust that does not become regularly traded on an established securities market within one (1) year of the date on which it first becomes a real estate investment trust shall be deemed not to have been regularly traded on an established securities market, retroactive to the date it first became a real estate investment trust, and shall file an amended return reflecting such retroactive designation for any tax year or part year occurring during its initial year of status as a real

estate investment trust. For purposes of this subsection, a real estate investment trust becomes a real estate investment trust on the first day it has both met the requirements of Section 856 of the Internal Revenue Code and has elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust pursuant to Section 856(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2021, Section 4002, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4002. There is hereby created in the Executive Branch of Government the Department of Transportation and the Transportation Commission. The Department shall function under the direct control and supervision of the Commission as a part of the executive branch of state government in carrying out the transportation policies, plans and programs of this state. In accord with appropriations made by the Legislature and grants of funds from federal, state, regional, local or private agencies, the Department shall, acting by or through the Director or his duly authorized officer or employee, have the power and it shall be its duty:

1. To coordinate and develop for the State of Oklahoma a comprehensive transportation plan to meet present and future needs for adequate, safe and efficient transportation facilities at reasonable cost to the people.

2. To coordinate the development and operation of such transportation facilities in the state including, but not limited to, highways, public transportation, railroad, marine and waterways and aeronautics.

- 3. To develop, periodically revise and maintain a comprehensive state master plan for transportation facilities.
- 4. To develop measurable objectives and goals designed to carry out the master plan for transportation and report progress in achievement of objectives and goals to the Governor and Legislature as part of the annual budget submission.
- 5. To make such studies and analyses of transportation problems as may be requested by the Governor or Legislature relative to any aspect of transportation in the state.
- 6. To exercise and perform such functions, powers and duties as may be from time to time conferred or imposed by law, including all the functions, powers and duties assigned and transferred to the Department of Transportation by this act.
- 7. To apply for, accept and receive and be the administrator for and in behalf of the state agencies, boards and commissions of all federal or other monies now or hereafter available for purposes of transportation or which would further the intent and specific purposes of this act. This paragraph shall not apply to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission insofar as federal funds for transportation regulatory purposes are concerned. Provided further,

nothing in this act shall be construed to limit the authority of any town, city, county, regional authority, port authority or airport authority to apply for, accept, receive and be the administrator of all federal funds or other monies now or hereafter available to such subdivisions of government for the purpose of transportation or any other local matter. The provisions of this act shall not apply to funds available for projects for providing transportation services to meet special needs of the elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities under Section 16 (b), (2) of the Urban Mass

Transportation Act of 1964, as amended (49 U.S.C.A., Section 1612 (b), (2)), or to programs administered by the Department of Institutions, Social and Rehabilitative Services for transportation services to the elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities.

- 8. To cooperate with local governments in the planning and development of transportation-related activities, and encourage state and federally funded plans and programs at the local level consistent with the goals and objectives of the state master plan for transportation.
- 9. To evaluate and encourage the development and use of public transportation in Oklahoma where such use will contribute to a reduction in traffic congestion, public convenience, air quality, or energy conservation. To administer financial assistance programs for public transportation services, facilities and equipment, using state and/or federal funds for administrative activities, and to

pass through to public, private enterprise and/or private nonprofit entities those federal, local and/or private funds intended for the purpose of meeting public transportation capital and operating needs, excluding those federal, local and/or private funds intended for the purpose of meeting the capital and operating needs of fixed route, regularly scheduled public transportation services operating within cities of greater than three hundred thousand (300,000) population according to the latest Federal Decennial Census. ensure, through positive actions, that private enterprise providers of public transportation are involved in all levels of public transportation planning efforts, in both metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas, and are given the opportunity to provide public transportation services, by contract or other means which provide a reasonable return, wherever such services are now or will be provided utilizing federal, state or local public funds. Exceptions to this requirement that private enterprise provide such services may be made only where:

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- a. a county does not have an existing private enterprise public transportation operator which could provide such services,
- b. the existing private enterprise public transportation operator declines to provide such service, or
- c. the organization seeking to secure or provide such services by means other than private enterprise

operators, such as operating the system themselves, provides to the Department, or any other party upon request, budgetary documentation that the alternative means are more appropriate and less expensive on a passenger-mile basis.

Provided, however, that there shall be exempted from the above requirement all fixed route regularly scheduled public transportation services, operating in cities of greater than three hundred thousand (300,000) population, according to the latest Federal Decennial Census; and

Provided further, this act shall not alter any powers of counties, cities and towns to initiate, designate, or construct any project or other object of expenditure now or hereafter funded by federal transportation or state gasoline and motor fuel tax funds allocated to those counties, cities and towns.

SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2021, Section 4033, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4033. A. Monies allocated from the Public Transit
Revolving Fund by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation may be
used for local share or matching funds for the purpose of federal
capital or operating grants. Prior to the allocation of monies from
the Public Transit Revolving Fund, each eligible entity desiring
monies from the Public Transit Revolving Fund, shall provide to the
Department, a proposed budget outlining the proposed use of the

- monies for the next fiscal year. Any eligible entity not submitting a proposed budget shall be deemed to waive any claim to monies from the Public Transit Revolving Fund for the next fiscal year. All monies distributed among the eligible entities shall be audited to ensure compliance with applicable law and the latest available audited financial statement shall be provided to the Department.
 - B. Any eligible entity receiving monies from the Public Transit Revolving Fund shall expend a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the monies for services for the elderly and the handicapped persons with disabilities.

C. Allocations of program funds from the Public Transit

Revolving Fund shall not be subject to the Central Purchasing Act,

Section 85.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. However,

any equipment purchased with monies from the Public Transit

Revolving Fund shall be subject to the Central Purchasing Act.

SECTION 26. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1-107, is

amended to read as follows:

Section 1-107. Either in conjunction with public schools or otherwise under the control and supervision of school agencies and officials provided by law for the control and supervision of public schools, other educational services may include health activities, school lunch programs, audiovisual education, safety education, vocational rehabilitation, education of exceptional children and handicapped children with disabilities, playground and physical

education activities and such other special services, functions, and activities as may be authorized by law or by regulation of the State Board of Education.

SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 18-109.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 18-109.5 A. As used in Section 18-201.1 of this title:

- 1. "Visual impairment" means an impairment in vision that, even with correction, adversely affects a child's educational performance. This includes both partial sight and blindness;
- 2. "Specific learning disability" means a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or in using language, spoken or written, that may manifest itself in the imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell or to do mathematical calculations, including conditions such as perceptual disabilities, brain injury, minimal brain dysfunction, dyslexia and developmental aphasia. The term does not include learning problems that are primarily the result of visual, hearing or motor disabilities, of intellectual disability, of emotional disturbance or of environmental, cultural or economic disadvantage;
- 3. "Deafness" means a hearing impairment that is so severe that the child is impaired in processing linguistic information through hearing, with or without amplification, that adversely affects a child's educational performance;

4. "Economically disadvantaged" means all children who qualify for free or reduced lunches;

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- 5. "Intellectual disability" means significantly subaverage general intellectual functioning, existing concurrently with deficits in adaptive behavior and manifested during the development period, that adversely affects a child's educational performance;
- 6. "Emotional disturbance" means a condition exhibiting one or more of the following characteristics over a long period of time and to a marked degree that adversely affects a child's educational performance:
 - a. an inability to learn which cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory or health factors,
 - b. an inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers and teachers,
 - c. inappropriate types of behavior or feelings under normal circumstances,
 - d. a general pervasive mood of unhappiness or depression, or
 - e. a tendency to develop physical symptoms or fears associated with personal or school problems.

The term includes children who are schizophrenic. The term does not include children who are socially maladjusted, unless it is determined that they are seriously emotionally disturbed;

7. "Gifted" means identified students as outlined in Section 1210.301 of this title;

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- 8. "Hearing impairment" means an impairment in hearing, whether permanent or fluctuating, that adversely affects a child's educational performance but that is not included under the definition of "deafness";
- 9. "Multiple disabilities" means concomitant impairments, such as intellectual disability blindness or intellectual disability orthopedic impairment, the combination of which causes such severe educational needs that they cannot be accommodated in special education programs solely for one of the impairments. The term does not include deaf-blindness;
- 10. "Orthopedic impairment" means a severe orthopedic impairment that adversely affects a child's educational performance. The term includes impairments caused by a congenital anomaly, impairments caused by disease such as poliomyelitis and bone tuberculosis, and impairments from other causes such as cerebral palsy, amputations and fractures or burns that cause contractures;
- 11. "Other health impairment" means having limited strength, vitality or alertness, including a heightened alertness to environmental stimuli, that results in limited alertness with respect to the educational environment that adversely affects a child's educational performance and is due to chronic or acute health problems such as asthma, attention deficit disorder or

attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, diabetes, epilepsy, a

heart condition, hemophilia, lead poisoning, leukemia, nephritis,

rheumatic fever, sickle cell anemia and Tourette syndrome;

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- 12. "Speech or language impairment" means a communication disorder, such as stuttering, impaired articulation, a language impairment, or a voice impairment, that adversely affects a child's educational performance;
- 13. "Deaf-blindness" means concomitant hearing and visual impairments, the combination of which causes such severe communication and other developmental and educational problems that they cannot be accommodated in special education programs solely for children with deafness or children with blindness;
- 14. "Autism" means a developmental disability significantly affecting verbal and nonverbal communication and social interaction, generally evident before age three (3), that adversely affects a child's educational performance. Other characteristics often associated with autism are engagement in repetitive activities and stereotyped movements, resistance to environmental change or change in daily routines, and unusual responses to sensory experiences. Autism does not apply if a child's educational performance is adversely affected primarily because the child has an emotional disturbance, as defined in this subsection;
- 15. "Traumatic brain injury" means an acquired injury to the brain caused by an external physical force, resulting in total or

partial functional disability or psychosocial impairment, or both, that adversely affects a child's educational performance. Traumatic brain injury applies to open or closed head injuries resulting in impairments in one or more areas such as cognition; language; memory; attention; reasoning; abstract thinking; judgment; problemsolving; sensory, perceptual, and motor abilities; psychosocial behavior; physical functions; information processing; and speech. Traumatic brain injury does not apply to brain injuries that are congenital or degenerative or to brain injuries induced by birth trauma;

- 16. "Bilingual" means those students who have limited English speaking abilities or who come from homes where English is not the dominant language as reported on the current year application for accreditation;
- 17. "Special Education Summer Program" means those summer school programs which school districts may provide for children who are severely or profoundly multiple-handicapped disabled if their individualized education program states the need for a continuing educational experience to prevent loss of educational achievement or basic life skills. Any school district receiving funds for such special education summer programs shall provide services as provided in Section 13-101 of this title; and
- 18. "Optional Extended School Year Program" means the program defined in Section 1-109.1 of this title.

B. The State Board of Education is hereby authorized to modify and redefine by rule the definitions set out in this section whenever such modification is required to receive federal assistance therefor.

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SECTION 28. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1210.508F, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.508F A. The State Board of Education shall ensure that the reading competencies for elementary teachers are included in the competencies for special education teachers.

The State Board of Education and the Commission for В. Educational Quality and Accountability in collaboration with the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall ensure that all teachers of early childhood education, elementary education and special education are provided quality training in intervention, instruction and remediation strategies in order to meet the needs of students in kindergarten through third grade who are determined to be at risk of reading difficulties. In addition, quality education for prospective teachers shall be provided in research-based instructional strategies for instruction, assessment and intervention for literacy development for all students, including advanced readers, typically developing readers and struggling readers who are coping with a range of challenges, including, but not limited to, English learners and learners with handicapping conditions and learning and other disabilities (including dyslexia).

Quality training shall include guidance from professional resources
such as the Report of the National Reading Panel, Response to

Intervention guidelines and professional organizations such as the
Council for Exceptional Children, International Dyslexia

Association, International Literacy Association, National Council of
Teachers of English and National Association for the Education of

Young Children.

- C. All institutions within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education that offer elementary, early childhood education or special education programs approved by the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall incorporate into those programs the requirement that teacher candidates study the five elements of reading instruction which are phonemic awareness, phonics, reading fluency, vocabulary and comprehension. Teacher candidates shall study strategies including, but not limited to, instruction that is explicitly taught, sequenced, multimodal (reading, writing, speaking, listening, hands-on, etc.), multidisciplinary and reflective to adapt for individual learners.
- D. Effective July 1, 2010, teacher candidates enrolled in an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education in a special education program approved by the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall pass, prior to graduation, a comprehensive assessment to measure their teaching skills in the area of reading instruction. The assessment shall be

developed and administered by the institutions that offer special education programs that lead to certification. The assessment shall measure the knowledge and understanding of the teacher candidate in the teaching of the five elements of reading instruction which are phonemic awareness, phonics, reading fluency, vocabulary and comprehension. The results of the assessment shall be reported annually by the institution to the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability as a part of the required annual report for the institution. The Commission shall include the data in the annual report to the Oklahoma Legislature as required pursuant to Section 6-186 of this title. It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that teachers graduating from institutions within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education have the knowledge and skills to effectively teach reading to all children.

SECTION 29. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2021, Section 68.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 68.1 The purpose of this act shall be to provide adequate training facilities for the training and rehabilitation of residents of the State of Oklahoma, who may be affected with such severe physical handicaps disabilities as to prevent their employment in the normal fields of vocational activity, without such specialized training, through the establishment of a Rehabilitation Center for the Severely Handicapped.

SECTION 30. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 85.58E, is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.58E A. The Risk Management Administrator, pursuant to the provisions of this section and Section 85.34 85.58A of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title, may obtain or provide insurance coverage for any vehicle used by any entity specified in subsection B of this section for transportation services for elderly and/or handicapped persons with disabilities. The Risk Management Administrator is authorized to determine eligibility criteria for participation in the Risk Management Program by such transportation services. In addition, the Risk Management Administrator is authorized to establish equipment and safety standards for the vehicles to be covered by the Risk Management Program.

- B. The Risk Management Administrator may obtain or provide the insurance coverage authorized by subsection A of this section for:
 - 1. Counties;

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- 2. Municipalities;
- 3. Community action agencies designated pursuant to Sections 5035 through 5040 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title;
- 4. Any charitable corporation formed for the purpose of providing either a volunteer or full-time fire department, established pursuant to Section 592 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes, furnishing transportation for elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities; and

5. Any vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit organization that pursuant to contract with the state or a political subdivision of the state provides older persons transportation to and from medical, dental and religious services and relief from business and social isolation.

- C. The governing authorities of such transportation services for elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities shall be required to make payments for such insurance coverage as provided by Section 85.37 85.58M of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title.
- D. Requests for the insurance coverage provided pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be submitted in writing to the Risk Management Administrator by the transportation services for the elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities specified in subsection B of this section. Those transportation services for the elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities meeting eligibility criteria shall be approved for participation in the Risk Management Program by the Risk Management Administrator if the vehicles used by transportation services for the elderly and handicapped persons with disabilities meet the equipment and safety standards established by the Risk Management Administrator.
- SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 840-2.9, is amended to read as follows:

Section 840-2.9 A. No person in the state service, whether subject to the provisions of the Merit System or in unclassified service, shall be appointed to or demoted or dismissed from any position in the state service, or in any way favored or discriminated against with respect to employment in the state service because of political or religious opinions or affiliations, race, creed, gender, color or national origin or by reason of any physical handicap disability so long as the physical handicap disability does not render the employee unable to do the work for which he the employee is employed. The hiring of special disabled veterans pursuant to Sections 401 through 404 of Title 72 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall not constitute favoritism as herein prohibited.

B. No person shall use or promise to use, directly or indirectly, any official authority or influence, whether possessed or anticipated, to secure or attempt to secure for any person an appointment or advantage in appointment to a position in the classified service, or an increase in pay or other advantage in employment in any such position, for the purpose of influencing the vote or political action of any person, or for any consideration. Letters of inquiry, recommendation and reference for public employees by public officials shall not be considered official authority or influence unless such letter contains a threat, intimidation, or irrelevant, derogatory or false information.

C. No person shall make any false statement, certificate, score, rating or report with regard to any test, certification or appointment made under any provision of the Oklahoma Personnel Act or in any manner commit any fraud preventing the implementation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Personnel Act and rules made pursuant thereto.

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- D. No employee, examiner or other person shall deny, deceive or obstruct any person in his or her right to examination, eligibility, certification or appointment or furnish to any person any special or secret information for the purpose of effecting the rights or prospects of any person with respect to employment in the classified service.
- E. No person shall, directly or indirectly, give, render, pay, offer, solicit or accept any money, service or other valuable consideration for or as a result of any appointment, proposed appointment, promotion or proposed promotion to or any advantage in, a position in the classified or unclassified service.
- F. Alleged violation of this section shall be reported to the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission.
- SECTION 32. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 954, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 954. It is hereby prohibited for any department or agency of the State of Oklahoma, or any official or employee of the same for and on behalf of the State of Oklahoma: to refuse to

employ or to discharge any person, otherwise qualified, on account of race, color, creed, national origin, age, handicap disability, or ancestry; to discriminate for the same reasons in regard to tenure, terms, or conditions of employment; to deny promotion or increase in compensation solely for these reasons; to publish an offer of employment based on such discrimination; to adopt or enforce any rule or employment policy which so discriminates as to any employee; or to seek such information as to any applicant or employee or to discriminate in the selection of personnel for training solely on such basis. These provisions shall be cumulative and in addition to existing laws relating to discrimination in the classified service.

It shall be the duty of the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission to investigate, upon its own initiative, upon complaint filed by any aggrieved person, or upon complaint filed by the Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement, any violation of this section and to enforce compliance with the same, both in the classified and the nonclassified service. The Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights Enforcement shall investigate, upon its own initiative or on complaint filed with it, any such violation and may file a formal complaint with the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission. When any complaint is filed by the Attorney General with the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission shall set a hearing on the same, at which hearing the Attorney General, or his or her representative, may appear and present the

- 1 | finding of the Attorney General in regard to such violation. In the
- 2 enforcement of this section, the Oklahoma Merit Protection
- 3 | Commission shall follow the provisions of existing laws relating to
- 4 hearings, procedures, and notices, and shall have power to enforce
- 5 | its orders pertaining to violations of this section as is provided
- 6 by law in regard to the classified service.
- 7 | SECTION 33. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 2280, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 Section 2280. A. There is hereby created a state trails system
- 10 | composed of:
- 1. State nature trails, which shall be trails designed to
- 12 deepen the public's awareness and understanding of various
- 13 | ecological, geological or cultural qualities within the state by
- 14 | means of an interpretive service program;
- 2. State hiking trails, which shall be extensive trails and
- 16 | will serve to connect parks, scenic areas, historical points and
- 17 | neighboring communities;
- 3. State special-use trails, which shall be trails designed to
- 19 provide for those trail activities which require special trail
- 20 definition and will include trails for bicycling, public riding and
- 21 | motorcycle and minibike activities, as well as trails designed to
- 22 | meet the needs of the handicapped persons with disabilities, the
- 23 blind and the elderly; and

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- 4. State heritage trails, which shall be trails designed to promote the identification and interpretation of significant cultural and historic sites throughout the state.
- B. The Commission, in accordance with appropriate federal, state and local governmental organizations, shall establish a uniform marker for the trails system.
- C. In the planning and designation of trails, the Commission shall give due regard to the interest of federal or state agencies, all political subdivisions, private land owners, interested individuals and citizen groups. Furthermore, the Commission encourages citizen participation in trail acquisition, construction, development and maintenance where such activities will not conflict with the purposes of the Oklahoma Trails System Act.
- SECTION 34. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 3003, is amended to read as follows:

16 | Section 3003. As used in this act:

- 1. "Blind person" means a person having a visual acuity not to exceed 20/200 in the better eye, with correcting lenses, or visual acuity greater than 20/200 but with limitation in the field of vision such that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angle no greater than twenty (20) degrees;
 - 2. "Committee" means the State Use Committee;

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3. "Qualified nonprofit agency for the severely handicapped" or "qualified nonprofit agency for the severely disabled" means a nonprofit agency:

- a. employing severely disabled persons who constitute at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the personnel engaged in direct production of products or services offered by the agency for procurement by this state and who meet the definition of "blind person" as provided for in paragraph 1 of this section, or
- b. which is certified as a sheltered workshop by the Wage and Hour Division of the United States Department of Labor;
- 4. "Severely disabled person" means an individual with a physical or mental disability constituting a substantial handicap impediment to employment and preventing the person from engaging in normal competitive employment and includes any blind person;
- 5. "Qualified organization" means a blind person, qualified nonprofit agency for the severely handicapped disabled, or severely disabled person contracting to supply goods or services;
 - 6. "Manufactured" means goods made by manual labor;
- 7. "Produced" means to have brought into existence or created from raw materials;
- 8. "Processed" means the action of taking something through an established and mostly routine set of procedures or steps to

substantially convert a potential product from one form to another.

This action involves a sequence of multiple steps each requiring a

distinct decision-making process to evolve a potential product to

9. "Assemble" means to put or fit together or put together the parts of a potential product.

SECTION 35. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 5010.2, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1. "Disadvantaged business" means a business employing less than twenty-five persons of which at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the outstanding stock is owned, regardless of minority status, by a person who is:
 - a. by reason of social or economic background unable to compete in the free enterprise system due to diminished capital and credit opportunities of a quality or quantity similar to those available to others in the same business area who are not disadvantaged, and
 - b. impeded from normal entry into the economic mainstream because of historical practices of discrimination based on race, color, religion, ethnic background, sex, age, handicap disability, national origin, or

service in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam
conflict, and

- c. unable to compete effectively because of tendencies of regular financing and commercial organizations to restrict their services to established businesses, and
- d. in a state of low income;

- 2. "Low income" means annual income which is eighty percent (80%) or less of the median annual income of the citizens of this state as reported by the latest estimates of the U.S. Bureau of the Census;
- 3. "Minority business" means a business employing less than twenty-five persons which is fifty-one percent (51%) owned and operated by one or more minority persons; and
- 4. "Minority person" means a citizen of the United States who is Black, Hispanic, Oriental Asian, American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut, or handicapped disabled.
- SECTION 36. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 7009, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 7009. A. Participation in the State Charitable

 Campaign shall be limited to voluntary, charitable, health and

 welfare agencies that provide or support direct health and welfare

 services to individuals or their families and meet the criteria set

 out in this section. The health and welfare services shall be

 available to state employees, unless they are rendered to needy

- 1 persons overseas. The services shall directly benefit human beings, whether children, youth, adults, the aged, the ill and infirm, or the mentally or physically handicapped children and adults with 3 4 disabilities. The services shall consist of care, research, or 5 education in the fields of human health or social adjustment and rehabilitation; relief for victims of natural disasters and other 6 7 emergencies; or assistance to those who are impoverished and, therefore, in need of food, shelter, clothing, and basic human 8 welfare services.
 - B. For the purposes of the State Charitable Campaign, basic human welfare service shall not include:
 - 1. Organizations whose primary purpose is the direct or indirect support of institutions of higher education;
 - 2. Lobbying; and

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- C. To be included in the State Charitable Campaign, a voluntary charitable agency, in addition to meeting the other requirements set forth in this section, shall:
- 1. Be a nonprofit, tax-exempt charitable organization and
 20 submit to the participating federation a 501(c)(3) exemption from
 21 the Internal Revenue Service;
 - 2. Be incorporated or authorized to do business in this state as a private, nonprofit organization;

- 3. Register, annually, with the Secretary of State to solicit or accept contributions in this state;
- 4. Submit to the participating federation an audit of the agency, conducted by an accounting firm or individual holding a permit to practice public accounting in this state according to the generally accepted standards of accounting for nonprofit organizations; and
- 5. Submit to the participating federation a copy of the annual form 990.
- D. Applications to the State Charitable Campaign shall be submitted to the Oversight Committee for State Employee Charitable Contributions from local federations which shall include United Ways, United Funds, Combined Health Appeals, International Social Service Agencies and any other local federation consisting of at least five local agencies which meet the requirements of this section. Each federation shall certify the application for its member agencies and shall give state charitable agencies precedence over national agencies if both qualify for the charitable contribution campaign. Applications from individual agencies shall not be accepted.
- 21 SECTION 37. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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